

## Evening Customers.

For the accommodation of those who find it difficult to get out in the day time to pick out their Xmas Presents we will keep our store open until 10 p.m. each night from now until Xmas. **DO NOT PUT IT OFF** until the last few days when you will not have time to properly examine our stock, but come now and have us lay away what you want.

**Challoner & Mitchell,**  
Jewellers, 47 Government St.

## The Westside Store News.

### Silks for Gifts

A waist pattern, a dress pattern, a skirt pattern, is a gift that is always delightful to a woman or girl; and there can be no size mistake—the garment is made up to fit and to suit the taste of the recipient.

Check and Stripe Silks, suitable for blouses, 60c. to \$1.00.

All our choicest Check and Stripe Silks will be sold this week at—

Cold Taffeta, all shades, worth \$1.00, this week—**75c.**

Cold Grey Grain, all shades, worth \$1.25, this week—**90c.**

### Silk Hose

WHAT a world of comfort, luxury and refinement a thoughtful thing to give.

Ladies' Silk Plaited Hose, assorted colors, 65c.

Ladies' black and colored Silk Plaited Hose, lace ankles, 65c. and 75c.

Ladies' special black Spun Hose—**1.50**

### Belts for Gifts

THERE are two ways of inviting you to see the Christmas collection of belts—to tell of the many handsome ones and describe their beauties, or to tell you of the new.

Dog Collar Belt, we have them, \$1.00 to—**\$1.75**

Pleat black and tan Leather Belts, 35c. to—**75c.**

Fancy elastic, embroidered and sequin designs—**2.00**

### Lace and Silk Ties

Silk Ties, beautifully designed—**35c.**

Lace Ties as now worn—**75c.**

The new Flowing Silk Tie, 75c. and—**\$1.00**

Silk Ties, with colored silk fringe, 75c. and—**\$1.00**

### Furs

FASHION is again over the small fur—cluster—scarf, collar—muffs and muffs.

A large stock of Grey Opposum Collars, from—**\$2 to 5**

Muffs to Match—**\$2 to 4**

Lynx Collarlets—**\$4.50**

Lynx Muffs to Match—**\$4.50**

Collarlets of different styles and qualities of Fur, \$6.50, \$12.50, \$18.50, \$24, and a few of those beauties at—**\$16.50**

Muffs to match any of the above—**\$10.50**

"A Prize" Stone Marten Collarlet—**22.50**

### A Manoeuvre in Silk Waists

COMFORT for your means business for us. The story is short, the points are sharp.

1st. We offer the largest stock of Silk Waists.

2nd. The assortment is ample to meet every taste.

3rd. The prices in Tucked Silk, \$2.50 in Satin and better Silks, \$3.50 to \$5.00.

### Holiday Dress Goods

NEVER in all the years behind us have we been so well prepared to suit your tastes in holiday giving of dress patterns, character, quality, and low figures—these are the chief points of advantage. Variety and exclusiveness come in close order.

### Umbrellas for Gifts

THE pleasure of giving is partly in the choosing, and we are glad to have you look.

Two special lines in Ladies' Umbrellas, "Gloria" Silk Covers, will not crack, steel rods and gold plate mounted handles—**\$2.25 and \$3.90**

A very large stock of Silk Covered Umbrellas, good goods, at the right price, \$7.50, and a few very handsome ones at—**\$10.00**

### Tea Gowns

A whole new stock of Evening Tea Gowns has arrived in this store, and we are sure you will not always find a better selection.

## The Hutcheson Co LIMITED.

## The Time Has Arrived

For you to buy your Xmas Presents. We have the very finest, all cleaned and made ready for use.

Jap Oranges, 50c. box.  
Fresh Island Eggs, 40c. doz.  
Eastern 20c. doz.  
Port Wine, 50c. bottle.  
Sherry, 50c. bottle.

MINCEMEAT all ready for the pie, and PLUM PUDDING all ready for the table.

Morgan's Eastern Oysters

Dixie H. Ross & Co.

## A HOME

CAN BE PURCHASED with \$50 cash and 100 monthly instalments of \$12.50 each, without interest. Five-room cottage; double front lot, on car line; fifteen minutes' walk from postoffice.

Apply  
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Look here, 3 lots and 6-roomed cottage in good repair, light in town for \$1,500. Another lot and 6-roomed cottage close in for \$1,400.

Lot 50x184 ft., with good cottage, barn, fruit, etc., fenced road, close to Yates street. There is a bargain here for you.

Also many others, as well as cheap building lots all over the city.

New 6-roomed cottage to let \$10; new 4-roomed cottage to let \$8.

Coal, wood, fire and life insurance. Your patronage solicited. Money to loan.

**P. C. MACGREGOR, Broker**  
Office 92 Government St., Tel. 064.

## Bargains in Real Estate.

Are you looking for bargains in real estate, either improved or unimproved? If so, we have what will suit you. Inspect our list of properties for sale before purchasing. It will pay you to do so.

Do you want to borrow money? If so, we have plenty to loan at low rates of interest.

We are general agents for the old reliable Phoenix of Hartford Fire Insurance Co. If you have any business in our line we solicit your patronage. Notaries Public and Conveyancers.

**F. G. RICHARDS & CO.**  
NO. 15 BROAD STREET.  
TELEPHONE 145.

## XMAS PRESENTS

Leather Travelling Cases.  
Toilet Cases,  
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Clarence Block, Corner of Yates and Douglas Sts. **HALL & CO.,** Dispensing Chemists

## NEW VANCOUVER COAL CO., LTD.

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SAMUEL M. ROBINS, SUPERINTENDENT.

Coal Mined by White Labor.

## New Wellington Coal

Washed Nuts, \$4.25 per ton  
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Delivered to any part of the city.

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Does Cold Weather Suggest Tools for Cutting Wood?

Our saws for easy labor, our axes for rough cutting, wedges for assisting with tough logs—whatever you want, you may depend on the articles we sell. Perfectly tempered tools sold at right prices.

**Nicholles & Renouf, Ltd.**

61 YATES STREET, VICTORIA, B.C.

To make room for NEW STOCK we are selling a number of small lots of

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AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.

**FINE WALL PAPER**

**LADIES**

will find in our large stock the

Newest Ideas in FOOTWEAR

In Boys' and Girls' School Boots we are offering some splendid values.

SPECIAL—Boys' Boston Thigh Gum Boots, \$3.00 per pair

Men's Hip Gum Boots, \$4.00 up.

**THE PATERSON SHOE CO., Ltd.**

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—We have opened out a splendid range of Haviland china. The ladies will be glad to hear this. Walter Ross.

New Advertisements on Page 8.

## Direct From Spain

**Connoisseur Clusters.**  
**Imperial Cabinets.**  
**4-Crown Clusters.**  
**London Layers, etc.**

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## ELEGANT XMAS PRESENTS

Toilet Cases,  
Manicure Cases,  
Odor Cases,  
Travelling Cases,  
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A complete line of EBONY GOODS and PERFUMES ATOMIZERS.

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## CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

That delight the hearts of men and boys. **WE HAVE THEM**

Kodaks, Footballs, Golf Clubs and Balls, Boxing Gloves, Punching Bags, Fire Arms and Fishing Tackle.

**John Barnsley & Co.,**

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**ALFALFA**

Just received a car of Alfalfa Hay, the best feed for milking cows.

Fine Lot of Chickens,

**55 Broad St. Hartman & Co.**

**DOLL'S**

GO-CARTS, CARS AND Dolls of all kinds

**WAGONS AND IRON TOYS**

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**Hastie's Fair,** 77 Government St.

COAL AND WOOD—Baker & Cold, wharf and office, Belleville street, James Bay; telephone 407; city office, Swinerton & Oddy's, telephone 401.

**Bank of Germany.**

Berlin, Dec. 19.—The rate of discount of the Imperial Bank of Germany has been raised from 6 to 7 per cent.

**A Fac-simile**

of the Brand of Cigarettes that are

**Better Than The Best**

MANUFACTURED BY

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## Will Be No Delay

In Sending the Second Canadian Contingent to South Africa.

**Contractors Have Orders and Are Rushing Work on Clothing Equipment.**

**Three Batteries of Artillery to Be Included in the Force**

(Special to the Times)

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—Dr. Borden was seen by your correspondent this afternoon, and on being asked if he would be able to give out the composition of the contingent, replied that he would not say anything on the subject until he made his report to the cabinet.

It is likely that a meeting of the council will be held late this afternoon and immediately after the programme will be made public.

However, the militia department is not idle. Everything is being rushed so that no time will be lost in outfitting and equipping the contingent.

Although no official information is to be had, it is said to be settled that the contingent will be composed of one thousand men. There will be three batteries, not two as at first suggested. It takes 100 to a battery, so that this would mean about five hundred or half of the contingent. There are two permanent batteries, and the third would be made up from field batteries all over Canada. The other five hundred will be mounted infantry, composed of mounted police, who will come under the militia, of permanent cavalry who will go as mounted infantry, and recruits from the militia and ex-military policemen, etc.

Contractors have got their orders, and clothing and equipment will be ready in time.

Probable Commander.

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—The names of Lieut.-Col. Evans, who commanded the Yukon force, and Col. Herchmer, Northwest Mounted Police, are mentioned as likely commanders of the second Canadian contingent to South Africa.

Kingston Men Ready.

Kingston, Ont., Dec. 19.—"When the call comes we will be ready" was the greeting of "A" battery men as your correspondent entered the barracks this morning. The corps is highly efficient, Major-General Hutton recently declaring that there were few batteries in the Imperial service to surpass it. Lieut.-Col. Drury is commander.

Lieut. A. G. Irving, ex-commissioner of the Northwest Mounted Police, who is in the city, considers that a strong detachment of Mounted Police and Blackfoot Indians would be of valuable assistance in the present South African trouble.

Offers From Volunteers.

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—Since the announcement yesterday that a second contingent was to be sent to South Africa, the minister of militia has received over a hundred letters, and telegrams are coming in at the rate of one every three minutes from all parts of the Dominion from loyal Canadians offering services for the second contingent. Among the offers is one from Chief Beaud, the great Indian warrior.

The name of Lieut.-Col. Cotton is mentioned as the likely commander of the artillery section of the contingent.

**BANK OF GERMANY.**

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**GENERAL LAWTON-KILLED**

At San Mateo—United States War Official Have Not Yet Received Confirmation of the Report.

(Associated Press.)

Manila, Dec. 19.—Major-General Henry Lawton has been shot and killed, General Lawton was killed at San Mateo.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Up to one o'clock this afternoon, the war office has received no word of Gen. Lawton's death except that conveyed in the Associated Press dispatches.

The cabinet members received the news with expressions of profound sorrow and regret.

It was learned at the war department that Gen. Lawton's commission as a brigadier-general in the regular army was in process of preparation when the news of his death was received.

## War Office is Silent

Regarding the Reports That Buller Has Crossed the Tugela River,

And That Methuen's Communications Have Been Cut—Boers Reinforced.

Volunteers and Yeomanry Are Responding Promptly to the Call to Arms

(Associated Press.)

London, Dec. 19.—Only the most optimistic gave any credit today to the rumors that Gen. Buller had crossed the Tugela River, and even they speedily realized that it was incredible the war office would refrain from the immediate publication of news of such importance.

There was also no confirmation of the statement that Gen. Methuen's line of communication had been cut, though there was known to be a probability of such an event occurring at any moment.

Methuen's Position.

The latest news from Gen. Methuen, dated Sunday, indicated that the situation appeared to be a complete impasse. The Boers were gathering reinforcements and extending their fortifications on both his flanks, but it was believed they would be unable to attack the British position.

On the other hand, it was regarded as impossible for the British to turn the Boers' flank, which was resting on the river to the east, and rapidly approaching the river to the west.

The Boer lines of entrenchments are continuous and capable of rapid construction at many points.

No News From the Front.

From elsewhere at the front there is absolutely nothing to throw additional light on the situation.

Responding to the Call.

The newspapers are full of stories showing the unanimity with which the volunteers and yeomanry are responding to the call to arms.

The Yeomanry Force.

Lord Chesham, commanding officer of the Royal Buckinghamshire Yeomanry, is to command the force of 3,000 Yeomen which he has been authorized to organize for service in South Africa.

Earl Dudley and other titled officers will accompany him.

Employment of Troops From India.

Some of the papers express considerable misgivings at troops going from India to South Africa. They think the risk too great, and that it may lead to two continents being ablaze instead of one.

Canada's Loyalty.

The most ample recognition is given in the press to the great outburst of loyalty in Canada, and the remarks of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Premier, and the cabinet, as representatives of both the English and French sections, are especially welcomed.

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CORNER OF FORT AND DOUGLAS STREETS,  
VICTORIA, B.C.

For Pure Drugs and Chemicals.

The War in  
South AfricaIt is Reported General Buller  
Has Crossed the Tugela  
River.Fifth Division Will Probably  
Join Methuen-Troops From  
IndiaLondon, Dec. 19.—It is understood  
that four regiments of artillery, including  
horse and field batteries, will leave  
Bombay for Africa almost immediately.  
It is hoped that this force will reinforce  
Gen. Buller within a month.Since the appointment of Lord Roberts  
as commander-in-chief in South Africa,  
the question of rank no longer  
bars the Duke of Connaught from going  
to the front, and as he has a strong desire  
to go, it is believed that only the  
Queen's reluctance stands in the way.  
It is not unlikely that this will be overcome.Lord Chesham, commanding officer of  
the Royal Buckinghamshire Yeomanry,  
has been authorized to organize a force  
of 3,000 Yeomanry, who will proceed to  
the Cape.Yeomanry Troops  
sent out will be drafted so as to work  
together with the mounted infantry and  
mounted militia from Canada and Australia.It is understood that the Volunteers  
selected will not form a separate corps,  
but will join their linked battalions of  
the regular forces in South Africa.  
Throughout the country Volunteers are  
responding with the utmost alacrity to  
the official notice.The Times says editorially: "Lord  
Roberts will have absolutely a free hand  
and may be expected to resume the original  
plan of campaign abandoned by  
Gen. Buller under the necessity of relieving  
Ladysmith."The Morning Post is a rather alarmist  
article, remarks "upon the difficulty of  
deciding such a crucial matter," and  
says: "Besides three generals in the  
field, all of whom need to be reinforced,  
there is theRebellion in Cape Colony  
to be considered. This makes four  
pressing calls on the Fifth division. The  
question is who is to decide and on what  
principles?"Reviewing the various positions of the  
besieged, commanders and military  
experts, the Post concludes that the  
relief of Ladysmith is the most important  
emergency and that a victory in Natal  
would change the whole face of affairs.  
It also points out the urgent need of  
having the navy in readiness to move at  
any moment to protect the line of  
communication with South Africa, suggest-  
ing that "a quarrel with some foreign  
power might come any day without any  
British intention to have one."Mr. J. B. Robinson, the South African  
millionaire, writes to the Daily  
Chronicle, asserting that the Boers  
have unlimited supplies of ammunition  
and single stores of food, and declaring  
that statements to the contrary should  
be ignored.The Daily Chronicle's financial article,  
which was written by Mr. A. J. Wilson,  
a leading authority, says: "The expenditure  
for the war considerably exceeds  
two million pounds per week, and it is  
evident that the government must soon  
come upon the market for money."

## SITUATION IN NATAL.

Report That Buller Has Crossed the  
Tugela After a Fight.London, Dec. 19.—The Daily Mail  
hears from a hitherto reliable corre-  
spondent that General Buller, after a stiff  
fight, crossed the Tugela River.The correspondent also states that  
Gen. Methuen's communications are cut.  
No further news has been received  
from Cape Town, but the Cape Argus has  
a dispatch from a correspondent de-  
scribing the battle of Tugela River, who  
says: "Gen. Buller carried the village  
of Colenso at the point of the bayonet  
and under a raking fire."The few accounts that are yet to hand  
fail to give an accurate idea, but the  
statement that Gen. Cleary commanded  
destroys the current idea that he was  
engaged in some turning movement and  
that the Tugela River battle was only  
part of a scheme of operations.

Details of Tugela Fight.

Describing the Tugela River affair, the  
Daily Mail correspondent says:  
"The Boers in great force occupied a  
strong entrenched position commanding  
the river and reaching back about 800  
yards from its further side. Gen. Buller's  
brigade, on the left, first attempted a  
crossing, under a murderous Nordenf-  
eld fire.""The Royal Dublin Fusiliers, the King's  
Own Scottish Borderers, and the Con-  
naught Rangers crossed with superb and  
unflinching gallantry, but the position on  
the other side was found utterly untenable.  
The British suffered heavily from a  
perfect hail of artillery and shrapnel,while their own artillery was very badly  
manned. They were therefore obliged to  
re-cross the river."On the right Gen. Hildyard's Brig-  
ade, displaying equal heroism, succeeded  
in entering the village of Colenso. The  
Sixth Battery encountered a murderous  
fire and was compelled to retire, leaving  
guns, ammunition and wagons on the  
bank.""The brigade was also obliged to fall  
back. Meanwhile Gen. Buller's brigade  
also failed to take possession of  
Hlangwini hill.""The entire force retired on Chieveley.  
Gen. Cleary was in command."

## IN THE WEST.

Fifth Division Under Sir Charles Warren  
to Reinforce Methuen.London, Dec. 19.—A Cape Town dis-  
patch says Gen. Sir Charles Warren and  
his staff have started for De Aar. This  
seems to indicate that the Fifth division  
will be sent to reinforce Lord Methuen,  
a decision which will meet with general  
approval, as the opinion is almost every-  
where held that it would be useless to  
waste any more time by frittering away  
men between the various columns.London, Dec. 19.—A dispatch to the  
Daily Mail from Nanuapoot, Cape  
Colony, dated December 16th, says:  
"The Boers brought a big gun to bear  
on the British near Narvaar Kop. The  
British pieces were too small to reach  
the enemy and after an intermittent  
artillery duel, Gen. French withdrew un-  
der shell but without losses to Arrindell."Starkstrom, Cape Colony, Dec. 14.—  
Gen. Gatacre has issued a proclamation  
forbidding all persons living on farms  
to move about the district or to  
Stockton, except on Saturdays, and  
then only with passes, under pain of  
summary arrest. It is understood that  
the proclamation is directed partly to  
the prevention of the conveyance of any  
news regarding British movements.Losses at Magerfontein.  
London, Dec. 18.—The war office to-  
night posted a revised list of casualties  
in the battle of Magerfontein, giving  
fifty-one additional killed.DEPENDS UPON ARTILLERY.  
Lord Charles Bessford Advocates the  
Use of Naval Guns.London, Dec. 18.—Lord Charles  
Bessford is quoted in an interview to-  
day as saying:"The issue of the war will depend  
more upon artillery than anything else,  
especially at the siege of Pretoria and  
other places where the biggest batteries  
are expected. Therefore I urge that all  
naval guns which can be spared from the  
reserves and other ships be mounted for  
field service immediately. This move is  
necessary as there are no quick-firing  
twelve-pounders of 12 hundred weight  
in the army.""The government should immediately  
commission every ship in 'A' division of  
the navy as a powerful precaution against  
any nation seeking to take advantage of  
Great Britain's condition. No friendly  
nation could object."Mr. Goschen's Speech.  
Hon. G. J. Goschen, first lord of the  
admiralty, when distributing prizes to  
Volunteers and riflemen in London to-  
night, said:"I little thought when I accepted this  
invitation that I should address men to  
whom an appeal has been made to stand  
shoulder to shoulder with the regulars  
in South Africa. The possession of  
250,000 Volunteers will be regarded by  
the country, I am sure, as a great de-"Durability is  
Better Than Show."The wealth of the multi-  
millionaires is not equal to  
good health. Riches with-  
out health are a curse, and  
yet the rich, the middle  
classes and the poor alike  
have, in Hood's Sarsaparilla  
a valuable assistant in get-  
tings and maintaining perfect  
health. It never disappoints.Tired Feeling.—"I had no appetite and  
experienced a tired feeling. Different  
medicines did not help me. I tried Hood's  
Sarsaparilla and in a short time I was enjoy-  
ing perfect health. Since then we always  
take Hood's Sarsaparilla when we need a  
blood purifier or tonic." Mrs. S. Kitchin,  
Beatrice, Ont.Dyspepsia.—"My husband suffered with  
dyspepsia. Physicians did not benefit him.  
Two bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla relieved  
him. My husband's father and our little  
boy have been wonderfully benefited by  
this medicine." Mrs. O. F. Chamberlain,  
Glen Sutter, Que.Run Down.—"My system was run  
down. I could not sleep nights and my  
appetite was poor. Hood's Sarsaparilla re-  
stored an appetite and strength and has  
made me feel like a new woman." Mrs. S.  
E. Dryden, Amherst, N. S.Erysipelas Sores.—"After several fevers  
a running sore was left on my nose. Took  
Hood's Sarsaparilla and it cured me. My  
brother was also relieved of erysipelas  
in his face." Ella Corbair, Burdon, N. B.Hood's Sarsaparilla  
Never DisappointsHood's Pills cure liver ills, the non-irritating and  
only cathartic to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

## Seal Brand Coffee

(1 lb. and 2 lb. cans.)

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MANIFOLD.CHASE & SANBORN,  
MONTREAL AND BOSTON.ment of security and I am confident that  
they are all prepared to do their duty.  
The colonies are also prepared to do  
their share, and Canada and Australia  
are to the fore, welcoming the opportu-  
nity to go to the front."After praising the great services of the  
naval brigades assisting the troops in  
South Africa and testifying to the con-  
stant anxiety of naval men to be in the  
thick of the fighting, Mr. Goschen said:  
"It is impossible to grant their desires,  
although these soldiers and sailors would  
be glad to go to South Africa in thou-  
sands, because when 130,000 regulars  
have already left our shores the respon-  
sibility for the efficiency of our navy  
will be immensely increased. I believe  
the propriety of the navy has contrib-  
uted essentially to assist Britons to re-  
main calm and confident despite the  
black outlook. We have not only to  
look at the South African situation, but  
at possible emergencies all around, and  
without being an alarmist, I would in-  
sist that we must sacrifice much to the  
imperative duty that every ship be fully  
and properly manned."

## BRONCHITIS.

Mr. William Davidson, St. Andrew's,  
Que., states: "Dr. Chase's Syrup of Lin-  
seed and Turpentine has cured me of  
bronchitis. I have, without success, tried  
many remedies for the past six years. Last  
winter when I had a severe attack and  
was unable to work, I procured a bottle of  
Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpen-  
tine and am happy to state that the third  
bottle made me a well man. 25 cents a  
bottle. Family size 60 cents."

## STUDENTS DEMONSTRATION.

In Dublin—Degree Conferred on Mr.  
Chamberlain.Dublin, Dec. 18.—At Trinity College  
to-day the honorary degree of Doctor of  
Laws was conferred on Mr. Joseph  
Chamberlain, secretary of state for the  
colonies.The undergraduates gathered on the  
college grounds and sang patriotic songs.  
Then they walked to the college green,  
carrying volleys and carrying the  
Royal Standard and Union Jack. The  
latter was captured by the police. The  
students made a demonstration at the  
Mansion House, where they tore the  
green corporation flag to shreds and  
caused other damage. The police were  
forced to interfere, and the students re-  
turned to the college. In the meantime  
a hostile crowd assembled on the col-  
lege green, and more stringent measures  
were taken to keep the students within  
the gates.Mr. Chamberlain and his wife and  
Lady Bessy Balfour, when driving to  
the college, were cheered at some points,  
but there was a noticeable difference of  
opinion among the crowds lining the  
streets. While the procession was pass-  
ing from the provost's residence to  
"Examination Hall" the cheering was  
deafening. The students lined the pil-  
lages and held aloft Union Jacks, under  
which the procession passed.At the close of the ceremony Mr.  
Chamberlain, in response to the cry of  
the students, said they had met and fel-  
lowed disappointing circumstances. If the  
arrangements had been recent, he added,  
he would not have chosen the present as  
the occasion to receive the honor from  
the university. Their minds, Mr. Cham-  
berlain continued, were so occupied by  
the serious news from Africa, that Eu-  
rope always has been accustomed to the  
her own in adversity. He would have  
remember the Crimea and the  
earlier period of the Indian Mutiny,  
when England met with greater disasters  
than she had just experienced, but  
eventually the nation sprang to its feet  
and recovered its equilibrium.The students who attacked the Man-  
sion House numbered about 150. They  
beat the carmaker, who attempted to  
protect the corporation flag.

## WHEN HOPE'S GONE

Life's Not Worth The Living North  
American Nervine Restores Hope And  
Perfect Health.Four years ago Anna Patterson of  
Sackville, N. B., had a very severe attack  
of La Grippe, which left her with a very  
nervous form of stomach trouble. She had  
about given up hope of a permanent cure  
when South American Nervine was recom-  
mended to her. She procured it, and in a  
very short time experienced wonderful re-  
lief. After taking six bottles she was  
absolutely cured. She says: "I believe it  
to be the most effective remedy for stom-  
ach trouble in the market."

Sold by Dean &amp; Hiscocks and Hall &amp; Co.

## DEAR MONEY.

(Associated Press.)  
New York, Dec. 18.—Bids of 50 per  
cent. for call money were made this af-  
ternoon on the stock exchange. Seventy  
per cent. was demanded. At 3:15 o'clock  
money was 1-25 per cent.

## CLOSED ITS DOORS.

(Associated Press.)  
New York, Dec. 18.—The Produce Ex-  
change Company closed its doors at 10  
o'clock to-day. The stock market slumped  
heavily in the news.

## CURRENCY BILL.

(Associated Press.)  
Washington, Dec. 18.—The currency  
bill passed the house to-day by a vote of  
190 to 50.Through  
Yankee GlassesThe South African War as  
an American Cousin  
Sees It.Julian Ralph, of the London Daily  
Mail, Tells of Situation at  
De Aar.De Aar, Nov. 6.—In a previous letter  
I described briefly the extreme youth of  
this most important point in the military  
programme of the war and its amazing  
growth. I showed that what was desert  
ground, harboring a few sheep, less than  
five weeks ago, is now the seat of five  
camps surrounding half a million of  
pounds' worth of stores. The letter was  
written about a month ago, and since then  
three more camps have been added, and  
Hyr's Majesty's property here is now  
worth about a million of pounds. This  
gives the reader some idea of how what  
we call the "advanced base" of the  
greatest army England has ever had in  
the field is growing. How it will spread,  
how it will look, what will be its in-  
fluence, inside of three weeks, when  
tens of thousands of troops are here, the  
mind hesitates to picture, even to itself.A week ago I used to hear counsel re-  
marks by officers to the effect that ar-  
tillery were needed here, and that per-  
fect protection required mounted in-  
fantry. Such comments were so often made  
that when the value of the stores was  
estimated at half a million of pounds I  
took the trouble to inquire exactly what  
protection the camp enjoyed. I found  
that of regular troops there were none  
but the 2nd Battalion (Col. Batters')  
King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry,  
numbering about 800 men.

## There Were Two Guns

—one a muzzle-loader and one a Hot-  
chkiss—which were intended for Kimber-  
ley, but were stopped here because Kim-  
berley was cut off from communication.  
To be sure there were the men of the  
Army Service Corps and of the Royal  
Engineers, numbering 125 more combat-  
ants, or less than 1,000 fighting men,  
with two guns. In other words, until  
four days ago, 3,000 men were under  
sentence of death or ignominious sur-  
render whenever the Boers should have  
chosen to deliver judgment.Fancy a capital "O" split apart at the  
top and bottom. Fancy the letter made  
by hills and the space between a wide,  
long, level tract of sage-brush and sand,  
with the Cape lying at the further end  
of hundreds of miles of desert. Fancy  
the Orange River sixty miles away with  
2,500 men holding the bridge over it,  
and a battalion of 1,000 men split up  
into five bodies of troops isolated at as  
many points—all, except the force at the  
Orange River, inviting certain destruc-  
tion. Remember, too, that not only the  
Boers of the Free State and the Trans-"So you've set up a hired girl" said  
farmer Muchland to his son. "Your  
mother never had a hired girl. She  
worked early and late, and raised a  
family. Hired girl indeed! Look at you  
mother's son." "It's just looking at  
mother" said the son. "made me  
see. That my children's mother should  
never look like her, worn out in her  
prime."In the partnership of marriage women  
give twice as much as men. They give  
equal work, and they give themselves,  
their very life. Children come. No  
chance for rest, work must go on. In-  
flammation, ulceration, debilitating  
drains and female weakness, undermine  
the health and shock the nervous system.  
In a few years the woman is worn out.Women who have used Dr. Pierce's  
Favorite Prescription say that they can  
do their own work and keep their  
strength and good looks. It cures in-  
flammation, ulceration, female weakness  
and unhealthy drains.Sick women are invited to consult Dr.  
Pierce by letter, free of charge.  
"About two years ago my health became  
very poor from female weakness and troubles  
peculiar to my sex. I was so weak and feeble  
that I was unable to do but little work," writes  
Mrs. Josie M. Goss, of Ballytown, Cullman Co.,  
Ala. "I decided to buy me a bottle of Dr.  
Pierce's Favorite Prescription and give it a  
trial. I took two bottles of the 'Favorite Pres-  
cription' and one of the 'Pellies,' and  
these proved to be all I needed. I felt stout and  
well after taking Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescrip-  
tion, doing my work with more satisfaction  
than I had ever before."The People's Common Sense Medical  
Adviser, sent free on receipt of stamps  
to cover cost of customs and mailing  
only. Send 31 one-cent stamps for paper-  
bound edition, or 50 stamps for cloth.  
Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.real were to be feared, for we are in  
an enemy's country, to all intents and  
purposes. This is the Cape Colony of  
Great Britain; but it is, in the spirit of  
the majority of its inhabitants, not to be  
frowned, thank Heaven, to any other  
of

## Her Majesty's Colonies.

our troops and furnished? The farthest  
point to the eastward—were. The near-  
er ones, dominated by a magnificent ele-  
vation from which shot could have been  
fired into this camp from medieval guns  
of wood, were left to whomever should  
choose to take and fortify them. This  
then, was the predicament of De Aar  
from the beginning of the Boer rebellion  
until last week. As every man here has  
daily expected attack, as no one but the  
Omniscient Ruler of all destinies can  
conceive why the attack has not been  
made, and as the forces in at present  
making up for lost time by incessant at-  
tempts towards self defence, this mod-  
erate statement of the facts may yet prove  
of acute interest to the English at home,  
to whom, as I have explained to you,  
I am told I may telegraph only the news  
of the weather and the health of the  
camp.As this account of the camp deals  
wholly with the past there can be no  
harm in sending it to those at home,  
who are more interested in the subject  
than the enemy, who have unquestion-  
ably followed every step in the develop-  
ment of this post by means of their  
friends in the neighborhood. Within the  
last few days the situation has slightly  
improved. General Sir Redvers Buller's  
arrival at Cape Town was followed by the  
arrival of Gen. Buller and Naun-  
port, two of the many villages in which  
small forces had been kept at the mercy  
of the Boers. The concentration of  
these troops at this point immediately  
succeeded their abandonment, and

## We Gained a Battery

and a half (nine guns of the latest pat-  
tern) and 400 men of the Berkshire  
Regiment. Major-General Wood, of the  
Engineers, arrived about the same time,  
and instantly the commanding hills to  
the west and closely overlooking the  
camp, bristled with new fighting en-  
trenchments and erecting defenses for  
rifle and guns. These changes have  
distinctly improved the feeling of the  
troops, who are now entrusted with  
the cure and accumulation of the hands  
for the many regiments which are to  
come, and which are to advance from  
here for the prompt settlement of this  
war. We are now 2,000 strong in com-  
batant force, and have something like  
a dozen guns, with the hills fortified  
and manned by day and night. We have  
regiments of earth, of forage, and of bi-  
schit loaves, as well as many trenches  
of the best ground between the hills.  
We can sleep with the consciousness  
that we are able to make a stiff opposi-  
tion to the enemy, though we still need  
mounted infantry. If we had such a  
force and 3,000 more fighting men, we  
might have the sweeter assurance of  
not being compelled to suffer very great  
slaughter or submit to the necessity of  
surrendering these stores, which would  
be the end of the war. We are now  
were they to fall into the enemy's hands.  
But we are thankful for many things,  
among them being the knowledge that  
the precious past is passed, that the  
Boers have missed their best chance, and  
that we shall give a good account of our-  
selves when those who are now hover-  
ing near as shall call us into battle.  
We have had another change here simi-  
lar to the one with the improvement of our  
defenses—we have been put—

## Under Martial Law.

What this form of government entails  
may not be understood at home, there-  
fore I have made a copy of the regu-  
lations now posted up at the station and  
the post-office.  
1. Martial law has been proclaimed in  
De Aar. The following camp regula-  
tions will come into immediate operation:  
2. No person is allowed to remain in  
or to quit De Aar without a permit signed  
by the magistrate, and countersigned by  
the camp commandant.  
3. The permits for railway officials  
(this is a railway centre) will be signed  
and issued by the heads of the traffic,  
locomotive and engineering departments;  
postal officials by the head of that de-  
partment.4. Any person found selling intoxicat-  
ing liquor to a soldier or to a native or  
colored person will be immediately ap-  
prehended and the whole of his goods  
seized.5. The sale of intoxicating liquor to  
others can only take place between the  
hours of 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. This in-  
cludes the sale of liquor to persons stay-  
ing in any hotel or boarding-house in  
De Aar.6. Every person keeping house or a  
boarding-house, or any one receiving in-  
to his private house to stay for one night  
or more, is required to obtain the per-  
mission of the camp commandant before  
doing so.7. No person other than railway and  
postal officials will be allowed, with a  
special pass, out of their houses after  
half-past 9 p.m.8. Any person infringing these regula-  
tions will be dealt with by martial law.This proclamation is ordered by the  
major-general commanding, so that this  
very necessary change tending to exclude  
Boer sympathizers from the camp also  
dates from the arrival of General Buller  
and the installation here of Major-  
General Wood.

## JULIAN RALPH.

A Constantinople dispatch says the  
flight of the Sultan's son-in-law, Mah-  
mud Pasha, on Thursday with his wife's  
jewels and all the money he could col-  
lect, has caused a great sensation here.  
The Turkish government has telegraphed  
claiming for the arrest of Mahmud  
and his return to Constantinople on the  
charge that he is implicated in a plot  
to assassinate the Sultan.THE P. & L. EMBROIDERED OF GOD  
LIVER OIL may be taken with most bene-  
ficial results by those who are run down  
or suffering from the effects of a  
certain trade by Davis & Lawrence Co.,  
Ltd.Must not be confused with common  
castor oil or purgative pills. Carter's Little  
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effect. One trial will prove their  
superiority.With Your Breakfast. With Your Dinner.  
With Your Supper.

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## Xmas Week at Weiler Bros'

We cannot enumerate the thousand and one ar-  
ticles in our new establishment, but invite your  
inspection of beautiful, useful and elegant goods.

## Xmas Week at Weiler Bros'

## TO KIDNAP THE QUEEN.

A. Anstey Darrell, St. Alban's Vicar-  
age, Ashcroft, writing to the Ashcroft  
Journal, says: "The following well au-  
thenticated story appears in the 'Cape  
Times' of the 7th Nov., and is related  
by an official recently employed at the  
works of Messrs. Lewis & Marks, a well  
known Port Elizabeth firm, at Verre-  
cing, S.A.R. It may well take a promi-  
nent place among the many illustrations  
of the deplorable ignorance of the coun-  
try Boer in the Transvaal: 'Talking to  
me one day, a farmer who owns land  
near here assured me that the Republi-  
can troops were certain to win the day,  
for which he said he was glad, but for  
the fact that the poor old Queen of Eng-  
land would be the greatest sufferer, as  
Paul Kruger, as soon as the war was  
over, was going to hire a ship and take  
Commandant Joubert and some of the  
Boer forces with him to England and  
bring the Queen to the Transvaal,  
where she would be left to die in Pre-  
toria jail!'"The Michigan legislature met in spe-  
cial session yesterday in response to the  
call of Governor Pingree. The govern-  
ment's object is to secure the passage of a  
joint resolution providing for submission  
to the people at the general election next  
November of an amendment to the state  
constitution placing railways upon the  
same basis for taxation as all other prop-  
erty.Dr. Wood's  
Norway  
Pine  
Syrup.Better stop that  
cough now with  
a few doses of Dr  
Wood's Norway  
Pine Syrup than  
let it run on to end  
perhaps in Bron-  
chitis, Pneumonia  
or Consumption.  
It's a wonderful  
lung healing rem-  
edy that cures the  
worst kinds of  
coughs and colds  
when others fail.  
Price 25c. and 50c.  
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As you are aware the price of Cotton  
and Wool has advanced from 15 to 25 per  
cent. We beg to inform you that we  
bought all goods in our warehouse before  
the rise came. Therefore

## TAKE NOTICE

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market, quality considered. Write us for  
samples.

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A new well designed 8 roomed  
house, good view, large lot, all  
modern conveniences; price \$2,700;  
with furniture and electric light  
fittings, \$4,500.

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Mrs. D. R. Harris has commenced her  
classes in the St. William Wallace Hall  
Broad street. Classes for children on  
Saturdays at 2 p.m.; beginning December  
2nd. Private classes for ladies and gentle-  
men by arrangement. For terms, apply to  
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QUEST a specialty. 80th degree member,  
club number 9351990.Syrian Store  
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Also Brass and Enamel in White, Blue, Pink, Green and Black, at \$7.00, \$8.50, \$9.00, \$10.00, \$12.00, \$13.00, \$16.00, \$18.00, \$22.50, \$25.00 and \$30.00. CHILDREN'S BRASS AND ENAMEL COTS at \$7.50 to \$20.00.

A good many Bed-room Sets are now made up with a brass or enameled Bedstead and Bureau and Washstand of some popular wood. To meet this demand we have imported a line of 2 piece sets, consisting of Bureau and Washstand, as follows: We have them in GOLDEN OAK, at \$45.00. CURLEY BIRCH, MAHOGANY FINISH, \$45.00. CURLEY BIRCH, NATURAL FINISH, \$50.00 and \$70. WHITE ENAMEL FINISH, \$30.00.



## Couches, Lounges, Sofas, Divans, Bed Lounges, etc.

COUCHES, LOUNGES, SOFAS, DIVANS, BED LOUNGES, ETC., upholstered in latest styles, with any covering, at popular prices. We have them at \$7.00, \$8.00, \$10.00, \$12.00, \$15.00, \$16.00, \$18.00, \$20.00, \$22.50, \$25.00, \$30.00 to \$50.00.

## Fire and Draught Screens.

Handsomely fitted with Silkline, Sateen, etc., at \$2.00, \$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00 and up.

## Pictures.

In neat frames, Steel Engravings, Artotypes, Etchings, Photogravures, Chromoliths, etc., at \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.50, \$3.50, \$5.00, \$7.50, \$10.00 to \$20.00 each. Some very pretty Artotypes, almost equal to Steel Engravings, 22x28 in size, in neat oak frames, at \$2.50 each.

## Jardinier Stands.

Oak and Mahogany finish, at \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$5.50.



## Fenders, Fire Furniture, Etc.

Stoves consisting of 1 Curb or Fender, 1 pair Dogs, 1 set Brasses and Stop in polished brass at \$20.00, \$30.00 and \$35.00. Curb or Fender only, brass mounted, \$12.00 and \$13.00. Fenders in iron and brass mounted at \$3.00, \$4.00, \$4.50, \$5.00, \$6.00, up to \$18.00. BRASS FIRE SETS at \$2.50, \$4.00, \$6.00, \$7.50, \$10.00. STEEL FIRE SETS at \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.50. COAL VASES WITH LINING, japanned in various colors, \$3.75 and \$4.50. Imitation oak finish, \$7.00. Solid Oak, antique finish, \$7.00 and \$9.00. Brass Coal Hods, \$9.00 and \$10.00. Fire Guards and Nursery Fenders, in brass and blued wire.



## Rambler Bicycles

What nicer than a Rambler Bicycle for a gift. We now offer some bargains on the few we have left in stock. We have a carload of 1900 models on order to arrive early in the New Year, and we wish to close out all those now remaining. Bicycle Lamps, Sundries, etc. \*



## Hall Stands.

Antique and Golden Oak at \$13.00, \$16.00, \$20.00, \$24.00, \$25.00 and \$40.00.

Elm and Ash, antique, at \$7.00 and \$10.00.

Umbrella Stands in many styles.



## CARPETS

What more desirable just now than a pretty Wilton, Axminster, Brussels, or Tapestry Carpet. We have an almost endless variety of newest patterns from best makers and at most reasonable prices. MADE UP CARPET SQUARES—now so popular. Brussels Carpet Squares, 11 ft. 3 in. x 12 ft. at \$30.00;

12 ft. x 13 ft. 6 in. at \$35.00. Tapestry Carpet Squares, 9 ft. x 10 ft. 6 in. at \$11.00; 9 ft. x 12 ft. at \$12.50; 11 ft. 3 in. x 13 ft. 6 in. at \$22.50. English Wool Art Squares, extra heavy, something special, 10 ft. 6 in. x 12 ft. at \$21; 12 ft. x 13 ft. 6 in. at \$27.00. Canadian Wool, Wool Filling and Union Art Squares, all sizes from 7 ft. 6 in. x 9 ft. to 12 ft. x 15 ft. More than 300 of these in stock at all prices.



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Rich Persian and Turkish designs and colorings, best quality and superb effects, 9 ft. x 12 ft., 10 ft. 6 in. x 12 ft., 9 ft. x 15 ft., 10 ft. x 14 ft., 12 ft. x 15 ft., at \$22.00 to \$30.00.

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## Table Covers.

Chenille, 3 feet square, \$1.00 each; 4 ft. 6 in. square, \$2.00 and \$2.75; 2 yards square, at \$3.50 and \$4.00; 2 yards by 2 1/2 yards, \$6.50; 2 yards by 3 yards, \$7.50. Tapestry Table Covers, 4 ft. 6 in. square, at \$2.00; 2 yards square, at \$2.75; 2 yards by 2 1/2 yards, at \$3.50 to \$7.00; 2 yards by 3 yards, \$6.00 to \$12.00.

## Eider Down Quilts.

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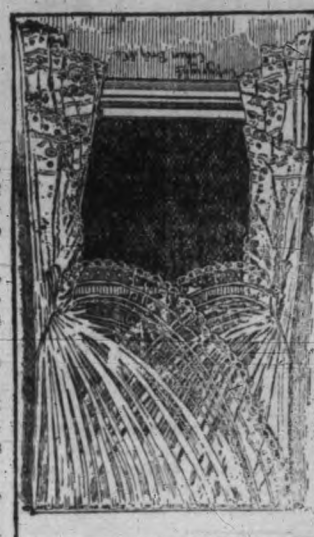


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The swell window drape, at \$2.75 to \$6.50 pair. French Applique Lace Curtains, the latest novelties, from \$11.00 to \$18.00 pair. Brussels Lace Curtains, from \$6.50 to \$25.00 pair. Chenille Curtains, from \$3.50 to \$15.00 pair. Tapestry Curtains, from \$2.50 to \$15.00 pair. Silk Simla Curtains at \$18.00 pair. Silk Nepalese Curtains at \$12.00 pair. Satin Curtains, very fine, at \$25 pair. Many other styles of Curtains and piece goods by the yard, which it is impossible to describe. All of above will be handsomely displayed on our 2nd floor.



## Down Cushions.

In fancy covers, \$2.50 to \$6.00 each.

## Damask Table Cloths.

Pure Irish Linen, \$2.25 to \$20.00, Napkins to match from \$1.50 to \$8.00 dozen.

Linen Bureau and Sideboard Cloths, Ties, etc.

Now is the proper time to make your selections of Furniture of all kinds—as on account of increased cost of raw material, eastern manufacturers have already advanced prices. We are still selling at old prices, having placed large orders before the advance, and many carloads of newest goods obtainable are now in our warehouses. An advance in price will surely have to be made as soon as present stock is exhausted. Do not delay, but buy now whatever is needed.

## Port Angeles Scheme Dies

### City Council Finally Disposes of the Ferry Aid By-Law—Chil-liwack Railway.

### Mr. Henry Sheppard Appointed Court Interpreter and Assistant Prosecutor.

The worship of the mayor, presided at the regular weekly meeting of the City Council held last evening, and which was prolonged until the hour of 11, at which time all meetings end unless specially ordered otherwise.

A communication was received from Hon. J. S. Helmcken withdrawing his offer with regard to the draining of Beacon Hill park through the Inverloch property and the letter was filed.

George De Wolf registered a complaint and objection against the proposed paving of Broad street and the letter was referred to the city engineer. W. G. Eden, complainant of an uneven distribution of civic work, filed.

Routine business was reported by the clerk, applications in regard to drainage and sidewalk work having been received by him from E. E. Blackwood, William A. Franklin and E. Holmes and referred to the city engineer.

The city solicitor reported upon the application of Mr. H. M. Graham for a license for the breakage of a plate-glass window by the men employed on the pavement work on Government street, recommending the sum of \$12 be paid to Mr. Graham. Adopted.

The city engineer and city solicitor reported upon the matter of the sidewalk adjoining the Abbot Hotel, recommending that the city engineer have responsibility the city resume possession of the piece of land and re-laid the sidewalk. Adopted.

From Chief Deputy came a report of the cost of placing a fire alarm box on Alpha street, which he estimated at \$254. He recommended that a hydrant be placed on Alpha street, the nearest one being 3,000 feet distant and the necessity of water being at hand very great. The report was filed.

City Electrician Hutcheson reported on the cost of giving electric light to the side gate at the Jubilee Hospital, \$110, and of a light on Seymour avenue \$115. This report was adopted after some discussion. Mr. Ald. Brydon, Cameron, Humphrey and Beckwith objecting to action being taken without reference to the duly appointed committee. A vote of 6 to 4 adopted the report, notwithstanding

the suggestion of Ald. Humphrey that the side gate at the hospital was not the proper location for the light, which should, in his opinion, be at the corner of Edinonton road, opposite the Isolation hospital.

Ald. Williams called the attention of his brother aldermen to the necessity for a light on the Gorge road, near the city boundary, and Ald. Brydon suggested that the council should order this and also the one on Johnson street, especially as the council appeared to be determined to take action irrespective of the views of the committee in charge of the lighting.

The council then took into consideration the additional street work considered in committee at the last meeting, and with \$1,734 at their disposal decided upon the following work:

Surfacing street, between Douglas and Blanchard, at a total estimated cost of \$710, surface draining not included.

Constructing a box drain on Fourth street, at a cost of \$50.

Constructing gravel sidewalk with wooden curb on Bolden street, between Vancouver and Cook, at an estimated cost of \$60.

Constructing plank sidewalk on Chad-burn Bay road, west of Pemberton road, at an estimated cost of \$174.

Repairing streets in the Work Estate locality, at an estimated cost of \$150.

Constructing a pipe drain on Cook street, to take the place of the present box drain, and which can be used as a sewer if necessary, at an estimated cost of \$145.

Constructing a sidewalk on Terrace avenue, at an estimated cost of \$24.

Constructing a sidewalk on Belle street, from Cook street easterly, at an estimated cost of \$29.

Owing to the exhaustion of the available funds, the following items were "held over":

Repairing Delta and Gamma streets—in which connection the city engineer notes: "The streets in question are in very bad condition, but owing to the wet weather they could not be improved to advantage."

Improving Cutts street, at an estimated cost of \$100.

Stone-surfacing Pandora street, at an estimated cost (without bringing to grade) of \$500; or (with bringing to grade) of \$700. On this point the city engineer had noted: "It will be necessary to blast more rock on Johnson street before this work could be completed."

The following report was received from the special committee on the repairs to Rock Bay bridge, which was adopted without discussion:

"After due consideration of the urgent and necessary improvements of Rock Bay bridge, we have the honor to report and recommend as follows: That the proposed improvements and repairs upon this bridge be carried out in accordance with the plans, etc., on file in the office of the city engineer; and in view of the fact that the present floor requires immediate renewal (which cannot be done until after the improvements

are completed, the engineer go at once with the said plans to interview Mr. Joseph R. Coy, C.E., in order to explain all particulars in regard to the matter; and further in regard to the driving of extra piles and renewal of flooring, that the government be asked to act at once, as otherwise it may be necessary to close the bridge to vehicular traffic."

The finance committee recommended the payment of accounts amounting to \$6,061.41, which includes \$72.50 for the special services of City Solicitor Bradburn on the occasion of the police commission enquiry and of \$120.25 to the stenographer, Mr. C. F. Jones.

### Motions.

The first resolution to come up was that of which notice had been duly posted by his worship the mayor and provided for the appointment of Chief of Police Sheppard, at the conclusion of his term of service, to the position of Chinook interpreter in the police court at a salary of \$600 per annum. Ald. Hayward moved the resolution and it was seconded by Ald. Stewart.

The mayor in explanation and support of the motion said that this was really a recommendation from the police commissioners who, in consideration of Chief Sheppard's services as interpreter during a long period of time without cost to the city, thought he should be appointed to continue to act in that capacity and as assistant prosecutor. During the last year the chief had saved the city \$240 by acting as interpreter, it being customary to pay a fee of \$2.50 in each case, whereas he had charged nothing. The mayor paid a high compliment to Mr. Sheppard for the faithful discharge of his duties for 23 years, especially when the aldermen were on the eve of retirement. The new chief and the new council should be allowed a voice in the matter. Ald. Williams suggested that the commissioners should have retained Mr. Sheppard in the position of interpreter as well as of interpreter, and could not vote for the resolution.

Ald. Hayward supported the motion. The commissioners had public opinion behind them in increasing the salary attached to the position of chief of police to \$1,250; indeed he believed they would have been supported had they made it \$150. He thought the public would not condemn the appointment of Mr. Sheppard at a salary of \$600 a year to the position of interpreter.

Support was also given to the motion by Ald. Kinsman, who complimented Mr. Sheppard on the good service he had

given in the position of chief, and the motion then carried on a vote of 7 to 3, Ald. Beckwith, Humphrey and Cameron being the objectors.

The routine motions providing for the holding of the municipal elections, the council on Jan. 8th and the school board on the 11th were passed. The deputy returning officers appointed are Messrs. Van Dally, George Glasgow, T. J. Desbrier and David Sprague, with Mr. Northcutt as usual discharging the duties of returning officer.

Ald. Macgregor submitted his motion withdrawing the Port Angeles Ferry By-law, finding a seconder in Ald. Williams. The motion has already been published in these columns and consisted of a round denunciation of the action of the majority of the council in refusing to accede to the request of the 483 rate-payers who petitioned for the by-law.

Ald. Beckwith objected to the motion, calling it a remarkable one, and moved in amendment that the council continue the consideration of the measure in committee, with the mayor in the chair.

Ald. Kinsman objected to the council wasting more time over this subject; let the vote be taken.

Ald. Macgregor urged that the matter should be properly discussed and passed. As the introduction of the by-law he believed he had the right to withdraw it. The mayor said he had that right with the consent of the council, but only with that consent.

More discussion followed, and finally the amendment was carried by 6 to 4. Ald. Hayward, Kinsman, Williams and Macgregor being the opposing quarter. The council then went into committee, and on motion of Ald. Stewart the committee rose without reporting, and so ended the Port Angeles ferry aid proposal upon the discussion of which the aldermen have spent so much time during the year.

The by-law of which the mayor had given notice, providing for the continuation of the loan arranged to meet the cost deposit in the Point Ellice bridge suits, was put through all its stages, it being really only a matter of book-keeping.

The city solicitor's advice that the by-law be made good for five years was adopted in the drawing of it up, although his worship explained it was not the intention to have the matters held over that length of time.

Ald. Beckwith introduced the Victoria & Sidney Railway Extension By-law, and Ald. Hayward urged the desirability of leaving it over for a special meeting, it being by this time 10.45, and in spite of Ald. Beckwith's expression of opinion that the second reading might be taken, the majority of the aldermen agreed with the proposed adjournment and the council rose.

Mrs. H. J. O'Neill, wife of H. J. O'Neill, the former "Barley King" of Chicago, arrested at Montreal on a charge of defrauding her creditors, has been acquitted.

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## Suburban Grievances

### Victoria West Will Make Them an Issue in the Campaign.

### Mayor Redfern Denounced and Ald. Beckwith and Brydon Endorsed.

Ald. Beckwith and Brydon have the satisfaction of knowing that while one section of the North ward a few months ago summoned a meeting to condemn their action, another section of the same ward, namely Victoria West, has unanimously endorsed their candidature. This was decided upon at a meeting last night in Sample's hall, when the enterprising citizens of that district, in addition to the action mentioned, placed itself on record as opposed to Mayor Redfern's candidature, and decided to make its claims an issue in the three-city ward elections.

The chair was taken by Mr. B. Boggs, Mr. E. Gledhill acting as secretary.

The chairman said they had met for the purpose of having a report from the committee appointed to interview the council in regard to their reception, and to receive their report of the result of the meeting with Messrs. Cotton and Henderson, as well as to lay plans for action in regard to the next municipal council.

Of the first interview he had no doubt all present had read of how the council had expressed surprise at learning of the needs of Victoria West, and had finally consented to the installation of two lights on the Indian reserve. The Electric Light Committee, consisting of Ald. Humphrey, Brydon and Macgregor, had since decided that one light would be sufficient, and had placed the amount required in the estimates.

A very satisfactory conference had been held with the Attorney-General, the result of which he believed would be the granting of Craigflower road as a government road.

The promises which had been made of late, the chairman reminded his hearers, were all more or less of an anti-election character, and the same importance could not be attached to them.

The question before the meeting therefore was to decide what candidates they would support, or whether they would bring out a candidate or candidates of their own, or even enter other wards.

The secretary reported the cost of fighting the Craigflower road case had been \$740.

Mr. Thor. Poching moved, seconded by Mr. Panchett, the following resolution: "That in the opinion of the meeting we

have full confidence in Aldermen Beckwith and Brydon; that our interests will be safeguarded and a fair share of public money be spent where it is most needed, in this section and we pledge them our full support for re-election."

The motion was supported by Mr. Charles Jenkinson, who said that any one who had watched the course of the two aldermen must have been convinced of their sincerity. A platform embodying Victoria West principles should be placed before each candidate. Now was the time to press the claims of the suburb, which was growing more rapidly than any other portion of the city.

The resolution carried unanimously. Mr. Chas. Jenkinson then submitted the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. T. Gold:

"That a committee be appointed to canvass the candidates for aldermanic honours in the South and Centre wards in our interests, and support and recommend a nomination to our next meeting."

In submitting it the mover mentioned that a number of Victoria West people had voted in other wards, and could move their influence felt there as well as in their own.

This resolution also passed without a dissenting voice.

Some pleasant features followed in regard to the appropriation of \$20 made by the council for the repair of the sidewalk on the north side of Craigflower road.

One agitator asked if that referred to the one plank already laid on one side of that road, but no one seemed able to locate the anticipated scene of the council's bounty.

The next resolution was received with applause. It was as follows, being moved by Messrs. Hinde and Dumett:

"Whereas, during the past year, Mr. E. Redfern, acting in his capacity as mayor of this city, has most persistently opposed the wishes of a very large majority of the ratepayers of Victoria West, and thereby an expenditure of over \$800 and much annoyance to the effort to maintain their rights of thoroughfare over Craigflower road, resolved

that this meeting oppose his candidature."

The mover, Mr. Hinde, said there could be but one opinion in regard to Victoria West. It would be unwise in his opinion to pledge support to his opponent, as before nomination day a more acceptable candidate might be in the field.

"What do you say to that resolution?" asked the chairman.

"There can be but one opinion in regard to it," replied one of the audience, and a lusty chorus of "aye" validated the statement.

A committee consisting of Messrs. Corbairn, Jenkinson, Brown, Gold and Capt. Gaudin was appointed in accordance with Mr. Jenkinson's resolution.

The chairman recommended that the people reserve any personal pledges to candidates until the next meeting of the committee.

The meeting also "reconstituted" the committee which has been acting on behalf of the people ever since the agitation began, their existence as a committee being understood to terminate at the next meeting.

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### A MOUNTAIN BATTERY.

A correspondent writing from East Kootenay, makes a suggestion which he asks us to make public. It is that a mountain battery, to replace the late lost at Nicholson's Nek, be raised in British Columbia. "In no part of the British Empire," says the writer, "can this be done better than in British Columbia. At this time of the year nearly all the prospectors are in the towns with nothing to do until summer comes again, and many of them hard set to support themselves until that time. Here we have any amount of raw material, men used to hardship, camping out most of the year, experienced packers and nearly all good rifle shots. Such a body of men, given a few smart officers and instructions, would by the time they arrived in South Africa be able to hold their own in the roughest country, and most likely the hardest fighting in the present campaign will be in the mountain passes north of Natal. The strength of a mountain battery in India consists of about 100 officers and men and about 200 natives, used as packers and mule-drivers. We should therefore need about 200 men and be independent of the natives. Care should be taken to enlist as far as possible men used to the mountains, and government, to induce enlistment as well as give the men something to look forward to in the way of a bonus, might prevent each man at the end of his service with a Crown jewel of some of his mining property." There certainly is no better material in the world to make soldiers out of than the miners and prospectors of British Columbia. The Boers have proved that experience with the rifle, physical endurance and the ability to utilize every natural advantage, are of first importance in a war such as is now being waged in South Africa. The knowledge acquired during years spent on the mountains and in the valleys of British Columbia would be invaluable in Natal.

### A GRAVE SITUATION.

It is useless to search the records of British history for a parallel to the present moment. Not since the closing months of 1814 has the British people been so profoundly troubled and anxious, and even then there was less cause for apprehension than there is now. The danger was single in the person of Napoleon Bonaparte, or of France. Today the danger is multiplied a thousandfold, and complication after complication isolates the eye of the statesman who seeks the situation from any point of view. In 1814 we could count amongst the nations of Europe at least three staunch and willing allies in our attempt to overthrow the colossus. These were Austria, Prussia and Russia; and Spain, Italy and Scandinavia, with Holland and Belgium were in sympathy with us, though practically impotent to aid. Today we cannot find on the continent of Europe one ally, and barely one friend. Italy alone shows a disposition to side with us; all the others, particularly Russia and France, are bitterly against us. The German people and press are taking no pains to show their satisfaction at the direful news from South Africa, where, as it appears to them, the empire they envy seems to be slipping through the fingers of Britain. Opinion in the United States is divided. Resolutions sympathizing with the Boers are introduced in the Senate and Congress; a majority of the American papers are hostile to the British cause. But the peck lies mainly around the scene of war.

Two great causes for anxiety are there, the one in the Cape Dutch, who outnumber the British four to one; the other in the Kafirs, who outnumber both Dutch and British more than ten to one. The united uprising of the Cape Dutch would be an awful thing; the united uprising of the Kafirs would be the end of white rule in South Africa for an indefinite period, which would revive the worst horrors of ancient wars and would light South Africa with burning cities, towns and farms, and deluge its soil with the blood of the settlers. No language, no imagination, can exaggerate the terrible danger of a general Kafir uprising. The white population who are said to be attempting to fo-

rest such a thing amongst the natives would themselves be the first victims of Kafir fury.

The contingency of a native uprising is not an idle dream. The Boers, who are responsible for the actions of his agent, Baizer cannot be cleared from responsibility for the massacre on the Tugela. Colonel Long acted according to his lights and training, and it is to be presumed had at least the tacit consent of his superior in running the guns into action in a spot which subsequently proved to be untenable, and which military officers of their experience ought to have seen at once was exposed to a murderous fire at close range.

What are the natives to think? And what are they to make of the fearful slaughter of Magerfontein and Stormberg, where these things are explained to them with due elaboration by the miscreants who wish to see them rise and take the war path? The loss in efficiency at these engagements has been fearful. At Nicholson's Nek a thousand; at Stormberg 500; at the Modder River, Belmont and Gras Pan, fully another thousand; at Magerfontein 100; at Tugela 1,100. And besides these "casualties" there are the continual daily losses of men killed, wounded, captured or placed hors de combat by disease or accident. There are also the casualty lists of Mafeking, Kimberley and Ladysmith, where death must have been busy as a result of the continuous shelling of the besiegers. It would take a very large army to stand the strain, but it must be made good if we would save South Africa to the empire.

It is all hands for the empire now, and death with the government as they deserve after it is all settled, say the London papers; and they are right. Every man who wishes to see the British Empire's integrity maintained, must be ready for the summons to rally round the flag. Our press has suffered beyond calculation within the past week. It will have to be retrained at whatever cost of men and money, because if we lose South Africa we can scarcely hope to hold India or the other Oriental possessions. Indeed, one can readily see that unless we put down our toes at the Cape and assert British supremacy beyond question, we must prepare for troubles compared with which these present will be child's play.

In Field Marshal Roberts the soldiers of the British army have the utmost confidence—more confidence than in any man on earth—and in Kitchener and Hector Macdonald, the private soldier who became a general solely on his military merits, they recognize leaders who have had plenty of experience in the style of fighting called for in Boerland. Where the other generals have failed these men may succeed. At all events the hope of the British nation goes with them.

### DESERVES SUPPORT.

To-morrow evening the public of Victoria will have an opportunity of witnessing for themselves a demonstration of the remarkable progress which has been made in training some local deaf-mutes under a system devised by Miss Helen Wilford Merritt. If those who attend the concert to-morrow night in A.O.U. Hall will take care to remember that those children, three months ago, were absolutely untrained and without any powers of expressing their thoughts, and that the results to be shown by the teacher were achieved in the short space of time already mentioned, they will probably be ready to declare that patient, intelligent labor will conquer anything.

Those unfortunate children were considered hopeless cases by persons supposed to be experts in such matters; one of them (the children) was declared by some of these experts to be an idiot. The work done by this "idiot" will greatly surprise those who attend the entertainment to-morrow in aid of this work, and no doubt there will be a disposition on the part of many to think, if they do not express the belief, that the word "idiot" might be better bestowed elsewhere than upon that bright mind. Miss Merritt claims no credit for the progress made except that she applied the common-law of common sense to the cases, and found it to satisfy all requirements. During the Christmas season, when good will and benevolence are more strongly stirred than at any other time of the year, the generous public should not forget that a cause that needs their kind assistance will be greatly benefited by their presence in A.O.U. Hall to-morrow evening. We may say that the concert itself will be of great merit, the names of some of the best amongst Victoria's musical people being on the programme.

Lady Symonds, widow of the late Major-General Sir W. Penn Symonds, has arranged for the publication of the portrait of the general, and that a royalty of threepence on each copy shall be paid to the Widows and Orphans Fund. General Symonds' body is to be brought home to England for burial.

Lilly Bernal's series of letters on the Canadian Doughboy settlements has been printed by permission of the Toronto Globe, in which they first appeared. The pamphlet is ornamented with a number of fine photographs, and should be read by all who wish to learn the facts about those remarkable people.

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### UNCLEAN CHINATOWN.

To the Editor: Westender writes re the cleanliness of Chinatown and expresses a hope that our next executive officer will be a man who will dare to perform a task, the accomplishment of which has heretofore been impossible. Verily, these present day impossibilities are many. In reference to these same people I read a few nights ago a report from the Council of Women re "the appalling system." They found that in our city it was exclusively practiced by Chinese, but "it was not thought possible to touch the evil among that nation as it was part of the national life, and they see nothing wrong in it." Well, six, one is apt to think this the reason for the unsanitary and immoral state of Chinatown as it exists today. It is the centre of the most beautiful residential city on the Pacific. "It is part of their national life and they see no wrong in it."

As this to be read in the East as an expression of western opinion respecting a vital question, or are we so hopeless that we cannot grapple with and solve the trouble in a satisfactory manner? I protest against a body assuming that "it is impossible to touch the evils, and while admitting the apparent inability of our previous executive bodies to solve the problem, I contend that it is yet possible to act in a decided way. The press has time after time called the attention of the public to this matter, and their approval of action has not been lacking, but no leader appeared. Are we afraid to penetrate the dives and opium dens of the Highlander entrance? I do not think so, but believe that a man is wanted for the job, a man who will give sanitary reform to his colors, together with other needed reforms, and will put his hand to the plough and not turn back until he has finished the work.

ORION.  
Victoria, Dec. 10, 1899.

### THE CENTURY.

To the Editor: Cephas, under heading "A Suggestion," says: "I refer to the approaching close, simultaneous, of the year of our Lord, 1800, and of the nineteenth century, which will take place on the 31st of this present month at twelve of the clock midnight."

I think we are nearly all aware of the fact that it takes one hundred years to complete or make a century, therefore the nineteenth century cannot expire unaccompanied by the year 1800. If Cephas is right, will he please inform me through the Times which of the previous centuries had only 99 years.

T. C. McKendley,  
Koksilah, Dec. 18th.

### A PATRIOTIC CANTATA.

"Britannia and Her Daughters" Presented by the First Church Choir.

The lecture room of First Presbyterian church was completely filled last night with an enthusiastic audience to listen to the patriotic cantata, "Britannia and Her Daughters," by the choir of the church. The concert opened with military exercises by members of the Boys' Brigade, under their drill instructor, Mr. Tennant, of the R. E. The exercises were much enjoyed by all. The cantata was well rendered, both musically and otherwise. Miss Laura Munroe as Britannia took the part very well, and said her lines with judgment. Miss Schoenroth, who represented Canada, had quite a difficult part to assume, but did it well. Possessed of a well modulated voice, particularly so in the vocal parts, her rendition was much enjoyed. Canada was dressed in the well known blanket costume of the eastern part of the Dominion, with fur cap and carrying snow white hair and snowy shoes. Her attendants were: Farmer, Mr. W. D. Kinnaird; lumberer, Mr. Frith; fisherman, Mr. Watson; hunter, Mr. J. G. Brown; miner, Mr. B. Nicholson; and red Indian, Mr. R. Wilson, all in costumes pertaining to their character. It is hardly too much to say that the cantata was a triumph. India, represented by Miss Gleibist, was magnificently dressed; fairly sparkling with precious stones and jewels. Miss Gleibist did not justice to her part, introducing her attendants a Hindu laborer, Mr. C. King; Sepoy, Mr. W. Smith, and negro, Mr. Rumble, the last named in make up and costume being exceedingly good. Africa, represented by Miss Fraser, received considerable attention on account of the exciting time in that colony, and the references from time to time about the war were received with great enthusiasm. Miss Fraser spoke her lines with deliberateness and judgment at times rising to the occasion and becoming vehement in declamation. Her attendants were: A diminutive black, Master Jameson; a farmer, Mr. Eitherton; and a wagon driver, Mr. R. Wilson. Australia, represented by Miss Baker, was excellently done up for a trifling rapidity of speech. Her attendants were: A stockman, Mr. Kinnaird; a drover, Mr. Watson; and a black, Mr. Rumble, all acquitting themselves well. New Zealand, the smallest of the colonies, was fittingly represented by one of the smallest of the ladies in stature, Miss Field, who was perfect in her lines. Her attendants were: A gold digger, Mr. Nicholson; a Maori chief, Mr. King, and the Maori chief's wife, Miss Pearl Wilson.

The decoration of the platform, throne and stand for the chorists was in the best taste, the grouping of the flags could not have been better. The singing of the choir was fully up to its high standard. Mrs. Hall being both leader and accompanist, and Mr. Brown stage manager.

With the exception of a few slight breaks, inseparable from a purely amateur performance, the whole piece went smoothly from beginning to end. One thing that detracted from the performance was the use of the books by the chorists; the memorizing of half-a-dozen choruses of ordinary length should not be such a prodigious piece of work for such an aggregation of singers as composed the chorus last night. The performance on the whole was a decided success, and should encourage the choir to go on and do better. Mrs. Hall and Mr. Brown are deserving of great credit for the manner in which it was presented.

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### AFRAID OF BULLER.

An Incident in South Africa in 1879—That Shows His Character.

In one of his letters sent home from South Africa, in 1879, Mr. Forbes tells a story that will be read with interest just now. A young Englishman of good family had been appointed to a commission in the Frontier Light Horse under Colonel Buller's command, but had turned out a troublesome character. It was said that he had become subject to fits and occasionally gave way to drink. "Last night before the lights were out," said Mr. Forbes, "I heard him swearing to himself in a very excited way about some advantage in the way of extra duty which he fancied he had. Later, when the camp was quiet, he 'jossed off' his revolver in his tent, and there was naturally a general commotion. No alarm was sounded, but in an instant every man turned out and fell into his place, with the regularity of machinery and total absence of confusion that struck me as testifying strongly to the fine discipline and morale of the force. The cause was ascertained, the troops were ordered to turn in, and the young officer was ordered to consider himself under arrest. The camp was scarcely quiet again when he repeated the foolish performance of

### Firing His Revolver.

and there was a repetition of the universal turn-out. The general and his staff—General Wood, that is—"came round into Buller's camp and summary and strong measures were determined on. But the young fellow was in his tent, rapidly breathing out threats to slaughter, and protesting that he would shoot any one who attempted to enter. Major Clegg was equal to the occasion. He had the tent ropes hoisted, and down came the tent on its obnoxious occupant, effectively bonneting him. He was at once seized, bound and, under a guard, conveyed into the artillery camp, where he was made fast to a gun wheel, a blanket given him, and he was so secured from further mischief. The poor devil raved wildly all night. It is an evidence of what influence Buller exerted over those under his command that the burden of his constant cry was, 'For God's sake, send me away before Buller comes back! Don't let me see Buller! I never can face Buller again after this.' Buller at present is absent on a reconnaissance. He overlooked the young fellow's previous backsliding, and had saved his life at Zibohane. He had his prayer; this morning his accounts were made up. The money due to him was paid; General Wood, in a word, Dismissed Him From His Force.

with the stern warning that if he came back he should be flogged as an unauthorized camp follower. He was set on his pony, and escorted by an officer and a file of men to the other side of the Blood river, and there turned adrift on the world.

"Buller," writes Forbes, in another communication, "is a born commander of a scouting force. His audacity in pushing forward might seem to the superficial observer to border on recklessness, but he is wise and cautious in his very recklessness. As his long, lithe columns move forward he quickly dispatches parties to the right and left, to ascend the hills and scan the view from front, to descend into and beat out flanking valleys and destroy deserted roads, and to make good the exploration of the whole section of country which he has set himself to scout. His men quarter the ground like pointers."—London News.

### MULES IN WARFARE.

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The mule is by no means a gourmet. Unlike the horse, he will eat almost any description of fodder, however coarse and apparently unfit for equine consumption. In one way, too, is the mule superior to the horse. He is remarkably free of objection to his drinking water unless it is fresh and pure as possible. Lord Wolseley, who has employed them as pack animals in all parts of the world, says that they are "very particular and whimsical" in this respect. It is of course in mountainous countries and all high districts that the mule proves his value most. In countries of this kind he is more useful even than the elephant, which requires good food to keep him in working order. Indeed, a mule will live on fat and do useful work under circumstances that would kill the elephant in a week. When loaded heavily the war mule can

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**WEATHER BULLETIN.**  
Daily Report Published by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 19, 5 a.m.—The barometer has fallen slightly over the province, but remains high over the Pacific slope; a low area being over Cariboo and North Alberta. There are indications of an area of low pressure approaching Vancouver Island from the Northwest, but at present the Pacific high is the controlling factor, and will probably retard the movement of the low.

**Forecast.**  
For 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Wednesday. Victoria and vicinity—Easterly winds, partly fair, with occasional rain.  
Lower Mainland—Easterly winds, chiefly cloudy, with occasional rain.

**Report.**  
Victoria—Barometer, 30.28; temperature, 39; minimum, 35; wind, 4 miles S.; weather, clear, cloudy.  
New Westminster—Barometer, 30.32; temperature, 41; minimum, 34; wind, 4 miles E.; rain, 0.01; weather, fair.  
Nanaimo—Barometer, 30.34; temperature, 38; minimum, 30; wind, 10 miles S. E.; weather, cloudy.  
Barkerville—Barometer, 30.38; temperature, 30; minimum, 24; wind, 30 miles S. W.; weather, cloudy.  
Nelson—Barometer, 30.28; temperature, 41; minimum, 30; wind, 8 miles E.; rain, 0.01; weather, cloudy.  
Portland, Oregon—Barometer, 30.40; temperature, 34; minimum, 32; wind, 8 miles S. E.; weather, fair, fog.  
Tacoma—Barometer, 30.42; temperature, 30; minimum, 30; wind, 4 miles S.; weather, clear.  
San Francisco—Barometer, 30.44; temperature, 40; minimum, 34; wind, 4 miles S. E.; weather, clear.

## CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

—Use Blue Ribbon Flavoring Extracts.  
—Please call at Russell's, 134 Douglas street, anytime before Xmas and bring the children with you; it will delight them and please you.

—Dandruff, falling hair and baldness cured. Dr. White's Hair Restorer used. Electric Parlor, 114 1/2 Yates street.

—Banner Lodge, No. 6, A.O.U.W. meets this evening at their quarters, Pythian Castle Hall, to wind up the business of the year.

—Tenders are being called for by the Victoria & Sidney Railway Company for the construction of a new wharf at Sidney. A spur will be run from the main line to the wharf.

—The meeting of the council of the British Columbia Board of Trade scheduled for this evening at 8 o'clock in the board rooms has been postponed until to-morrow evening, at the same time and place.

—The Friendly Help Society kindly request that all Xmas donations be forwarded to the rooms of the society, City Market, on or before Wednesday, 20th inst. The rooms will be open every day of next week. Disfranch visitors are requested to send their gifts to the secretary by the 15th if possible.

—The decoration committee which had in hand the adornment of the hall for the regimental ball have proved that they are not only efficient in their work but on occasion can be expeditious as well. A meeting of the committee was held last night to take into consideration the holding of a second ball, at which it was found that the militia authorities had directed that drills must proceed at once. It was after 9 o'clock when the C.O. communicated this to the committee and long before midnight every decoration had been removed and the hall directed of every embellishment.

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—Have you seen the \$1 per dozen Frank's Caps and Gloves at 10c each? Brown & White, 80 Douglas street.

—Xmas presents and fancy goods. Twenty per cent. discount on fall millinery. Stevens & Jenkins, 84 Douglas street.

—Auction on the premises No. 9, Store street, to-morrow, Dec. 20th, at 2 p.m., the entire stock of the confectionery and fruit business will be offered on bloc. W. Jones, the City Auctioneer.

—Few men are foolish enough to tell the readers of a great family journal untruths about their goods. If they do they are soon found out. "HONDI" Ceylon Tea is as represented—therefore kept at ways before you.

—"A Hot Old Time," produced at the Victoria Theatre last night, was witnessed by a small audience, and those who remained away did not miss anything. There is nothing whatever in the piece, as submitted last night, to recommend it to the public, and the specialties, such as they were, were of the common or garden variety, and with the exception of the dancing of John and Bertha Gleeson and Annie St. Ted, do not deserve mention.

—Correspondence to eastern papers from the Canadian contingent states that on Dec. 10th the battalion was divided; the right half consisting of A, B, C, and D, companies moving forward to Beirut, while the remainder stayed at Oranage River. The former were within four miles of the enemy. The companies named included—British Columbia and Manitoba, Toronto, London, Ottawa and Kingston.

—The following charitable institutions are being duly remembered by the City Council in accordance with established custom, cheques for \$25 each being forwarded to the respective treasurers: The Provincial Royal Jubilee and the St. Joseph's hospitals; the Protestant and Roman Catholic orphanages; the B. O. Benevolent Society and the Friendly Help.

—At a meeting of the Victoria Medical Association last night the members arrived at a decision to no longer act as lodge doctors, thus precipitating a state of things which has been causing the secret society people in the city some anxiety. It is now thought probable that two doctors will be invited to come to the city to act as medical men for the various lodges, of which of course there are a large number here.

—The regular monthly consecration meeting of the B.Y.P.U. of Calvary Baptist church, was held last evening, after which the election of officers for the ensuing term took place. The newly elected are: President, Mr. Hector Grainger; vice-president, Mrs. J. F. V. chert; secretary, Mr. William Russell; treasurer, Miss Sarah Galbraith; organist, Miss Etta Bishop. Misses G. Andrews and A. Clyde were appointed to serve on the executive committee.

—Rev. J. C. Spicer yesterday conducted the services at the funeral of the late Mrs. David Breckenridge, which took place from the family residence, Cameron street. Among the large attendance of sorrowing friends were many from Strawberry Vale, and the number of floral tributes testified to the high esteem in which the deceased lady was held. The pallbearers were: Messrs. W. Allen, Thomas Renfrew, Chas. Clarke, J. R. Westcott, J. Laurie and J. Chapman.

—The London Gleaner Gazette, in a late issue, says: "The demand for salmon has been slightly better and prices are somewhat firmer. Half-pound tins have slightly advanced. We find that an error occurred in the report on the salmon market at Liverpool last week, that the supply at half-pound Fraser River is ample for present requirements, and prices are receding." The position is, and has been for some time past, that half-pound tins are exceedingly scarce and difficult to buy both on the spot and for forward delivery, and consequently prices are gradually hardening.

—It was announced in last evening's Times that Miss Vogel would be one of the ladies taking part in the concert to be given to-morrow evening in A.O.U.W. Hall for the purpose of assisting in the work of educating the deaf mutes of the city. It appears that this announcement is the result of a misunderstanding. Miss Vogel having informed the Times that she will not be a performer. The programme already published, however, contains sufficient excellent numbers to ensure a successful concert, and when the worthy object is taken into consideration there will doubtless be an audience limited only by the capacity of the hall.

—Received by express at Fit-Reform Wardrobe, three dozen Full Dress Suits and White Dress Vests.

—To-night the Moore-Roberts company begins its season of five nights at the Victoria. Everywhere it has appeared notices of the most flattering description have followed, and a real theatrical treat is in store for local playgoers. Miss Maggie Moore's name looms largely in the annals of the colonial stage. In Australia, where she of course is better known than in this colony, she is regarded rather as an institution than an individual, and to add further to all the complimentary notices which have been written concerning her, would be to catalogue the task of painting the lily. Mr. H. R. Roberts, the other principal, is undoubtedly an actor with a big future before him. His versatility and marvellous adaptability have brought him right into the front rank of colonial actors, and he is shortly proposing, in conjunction with Miss Moore and the present company, to add further lustre to his already bright fame by exploiting the dramatic fields of England. With such "stars," supported by a large, powerful, even, all-round company, the success which has followed Miss Moore and Mr. Roberts is not to be wondered at.

—Lipton's "Finest" hams at Jameson's, 33, Fort St.

—Sergeants Council, Y. M. I., meets to-morrow night for the purpose of selecting officers for the ensuing term.

—A heavy mail was received this morning, the mail left Dawson on the 21st November.

—One of the best assorted stocks of toys and fancy goods in the city is to be found at Wilby's Golden Rule Bazaar, Douglas street, they are also showing a fine line of rocking horses.

—The City Council will hold a special session to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock in the council chamber to discuss the Victoria & Sidney Railway Extension By-law.

—Lieut. Pooley, of the Fifth Regiment, left on last night's Charmer to secure, if possible, a commission in one of the regiments in the front or about to leave for South Africa. Col. Gregory and a number of officers and friends of the young soldier accompanied him to the wharf and wished him "bon voyage."

—The remains of the late E. J. Gray were brought down from the north on the steamer Dunsmuir which reached here this morning, and the funeral ceremony has been arranged to take place to-morrow afternoon, leaving the family residence, Douglas street, near the Fountain, at 2 o'clock, and from the Centennial Methodist church half an hour later.

—The remains of the late Mr. F. F. Realt were this afternoon interred at Ross Bay cemetery, the cortege proceeding from the residence of Mr. M. Baker, deceased's brother-in-law, and Rev. J. C. Spicer conducting the services. There was a large attendance of friends and the display of floral emblems testified to sincere sympathy with the bereaved family.

—Chief Sheppard is still confined to his house, being seriously indisposed. Serjeant Hewson continues to discharge his duties in the police court. All the constables who were placed in plain clothes during the investigation into the Binas and Powers murders have been ordered back into uniform with the exception of Officer Walker, who continues to co-operate with the detectives.

—With the exception of the hearing of the conclusion of the charge against the Queen's hotel for selling liquor on Sunday, only small unimportant cases were before the police magistrate this morning. One was in regard to Jimmy Fraser, a Songhees Indian, who was convicted of drunkenness, and fined \$5, with the option of ten days' imprisonment. The other, in which a remand was granted, was brought by the sanitary officer for infraction of the health by-law.

—Chief Deasy, of the Victoria fire department, has forwarded a recommendation to the Attorney-General to the effect that the law in regard to fire escapes be so amended at the coming session of the legislature that in schools and hospitals of more than two stories a metal outside stairway instead of an upright iron ladder should be made obligatory. The contention of the chief is that the rescue of sick people and children by means of the upright iron ladder would be very problematical, while with an outside iron staircase it would be comparatively easy.

—To-morrow evening the children of the Centennial Methodist church Sunday school will present the cantata "The Coming of the King" in the school room of the church on the George road. There will be at least one hundred voices in the cantata, assisted by the regular school orchestra of seven pieces. At the close, each member of the school will receive a suitable Christmas present. The usual Santa Claus and Christmas tree has been dispensed with owing to the sad death of Mr. Gray, former superintendent of the school. The concert commences at 7:45.

—At No. 3 Yates street to-morrow the celebrated firm of Wm. Bennett, Sons & Co., fuse manufacturers, of Cornwall, Eng., will open an office for the handling of their supplies in Canada. Victoria has been selected as the headquarters office from the fact that it is recognized as the great distributing centre for the mines of the Boundary, Kootenay, West Coast and Yukon gold bearing districts, and from this base all the Canadian business of the firm will be handled. The Canadian manager, Mr. Roland Macdonald, has a wide acquaintance with the mining districts from his long and successful experience as representative of some of Victoria's big business houses during the Klondike boom, and later as provincial traveller for the Giant Powder Company. He will continue to reside in Victoria and to make his headquarters here, although as Canadian representative he will travel throughout the Dominion.

—Father Nicolson, acting as administrator of this diocese, pending the appointment of a bishop, has directed that High Mass will be celebrated on Christmas morning at six o'clock, instead of at midnight on Christmas eve, as was the case last year. An entirely new departure is announced in regard to the midnight mass this year, the Apostolic delegation at Washington having received the text of a decree from the Pope, designating 1900 as the holy year. The decree permits the celebration of midnight mass in all Catholic churches on the night of December 31st. This is the first time in the history of the church that any priest has been permitted to celebrate mass at the midnight beginning of the new year. The decree also grants the privilege of communion at the midnight mass. This is also without precedent. Another feature of the decree settles it that, so far as the Catholic church is concerned the twentieth century will begin Jan. 1st, 1900. The language of the decree is too plain to admit of dispute. The ladies of the Roman Catholic congregation in this city are receiving gifts for the Christmas tree, which they intend holding a week from to-morrow night for the benefit of the boys of the R. C. Orphanage. There are now over twenty boys in this institution.

—Lord Mayor's Pudding Bowls, Pudding Moulds, Pudding Bowls, and Jelly Moulds all sizes, at R. A. Brown & Co's, 80 Douglas street.

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## SHIPPING NEWS

HAPPENINGS OF A DAY ALONG THE WATERFRONT.

J. W. Harrison, the coal and meat broker of San Francisco, in his coal circular for the week ending on Saturday last, says: During the week there have been six deliveries of coal from Washington, 19,726 tons; two from British Columbia, 7,402 tons; one from Cardiff, 3,548 tons; total, 30,676 tons. The quantity delivered fully equals the amount consumed this week. It now looks as if the congestion in the coast freight market for the movement of coal will shortly be relaxed, as the government has commenced releasing transports, some of which will naturally drift into coal transportation; there is plenty of room for them. There have been two serious colliery explosions this week, accompanied with loss of life in each case. The delivery of Comox will not be interfered with, as they have only 30,000 tons mined ready for delivery, but the accident at Carbon Hill is much more serious, and may discommode the Southern Pacific Co. for fuel for a time. Latest cable quotations from Great Britain report marked advances in the price of all coals as well as stiffening in freight; the two added together make English fuel imports almost prohibitory.

The following are the names of vessels bound to this coast, with the number of days out to-day, and the rates at which reinsurance on them closed at Liverpool on December 1st, as reported by the Journal of Commerce of that port: Kennebec, 109, 7; Australian, 149, 15; Canrobert, 189, 10; Rajah, 185, 5; Glen, 155, 5; General Newman, 105, 5; Normandie, 141, 7; Marchand de Tur- vane, 136, 5 to 7; Cassard, 132, 5 to 7; Louis Pasteur, 136, 5; Jules Verne, 114, 5; Stronsa, 127, 5 per cent.

President Hill of the Great Northern Railway will call on the United States government for a subsidy to permit the establishment and maintenance, until such time as it is self-supporting, of the new line of big steamers his company proposes to operate between this coast and the Orient. There is some talk of a new line to the Far East from Portland to be controlled by the Union Pacific Railway Company.

The Lorne arrived this morning from the Cape after towing the salmon ship County of Cardigan to sea. The Holyoke took out the other salmon laden ship, the Killarney.

Steamer Queen arrived this afternoon after a fast trip from San Francisco.

The hearing of the charge against the Queen's hotel for selling liquor on Sunday was continued to-day, the evidence of a witness named Devie for the prosecution concerning most of the fortnight. The case was further remanded until Thursday.

Mr. E. Robinson read a very valuable and interesting paper on the Honey Bee at last night's regular meeting of the Natural History Society, and those present considered the paper fully worth publishing.

Miss Grady, matron of the Provincial Royal Jubilee hospital, and Miss Graves, of the nursing staff of the same institution, this afternoon telegraphed their services to accompany the second Canadian contingent for South Africa.

The newspapers of a town are its looking glasses. It is here you see yourselves as others see you. You can smile on them and they smile back at you; you frown on them and you are repaid in kindness. They are the reflex of the town. If the town is doing business, the newspaper will show it in its advertising columns. If the merchants are spiritless, shiftless fellows, whose stores are jumbles of junk and jam, the newspaper will show it by the lack of space they take. If you want the world to know that you have a fine town, you can only let it be known through its newspaper. North Philadelphia Gazette, Frankfort, Pa.

Despatch can no more exist in a nation until the liberty of the press be destroyed than the night can happen before the sun is set.—Colton.

**DR. A. W. CHASE'S 25c. CATARRH CURE.**  
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**PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.**

The "May Queen" to Be Repeated To-night at Institute Hall.

Three "May Queens," Stenardie Bennett's delightful pastoral, which was so well received last week, will be repeated to-night in the Institute hall. The quaint and characteristic music of this cantata necessarily appeals to music lovers, and it is safe to predict that the Philharmonic forces will again be honored with an appreciative audience. The same soloists will participate, namely, Miss Sophie McNeill (May Queen), Mrs. Janion (Queen), Mr. A. T. Goward (Lover) and Mr. Herbert Kent (Robin Hood). The orchestra and chorus of seventy-five will also participate. The admission to this concert will be fifty cents throughout the hall.

**LAST INTELLIGENCE.**

Mr. Justice Drake held the Supreme Court chambers this morning. J. A. Macdonald, of Rossland, counsel for J. Plewman, the liquidator of the O. K. Gold Mining Co., applied for reappointment for Mr. Plewman's services in the winding up. E. V. Bodwell, Q.C., appeared for the Old National Bank of Spokane. His lordship reserved judgment as to the amount he will allow.

All that is best in the great poets of all countries is not what is national in them, but what is universal.—Longfellow.

What is done is done; has already blended itself with the boundless, ever-living, ever-working universe, and will also work there, for good or evil, openly or secretly, through all time.—Carlyle.

For the present summer term 33,563 students are registered at the universities of Germany. Of these Berlin has 4,907, Munich 4,257, Leipzig 3,270. The total number includes 2,236 non-Germans.

Medicine can be dropped slowly from a new vessel or bottle which has the neck portion bent at an angle and fitted with a pocket in the lower side, which must be filled before the medicine can drop, thus preventing a sudden outflow.

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## No Hair--No Money.

I sell a preparation that will make hair grow on any bald head on earth, and cure all scalp troubles. Ladies wishing beautiful glossy hair should use it as a dressing. R. J. MATTHEWS, 101 Douglas street, sole agent for Vancouver Island.

## To Our Patrons

Reference list of the good things we have in store for you. Style and quality our aim. Mince Pie, Mince Patties, Charlotte Russe, and all kinds of Cream Goods, Swiss Tarts, Mushroom Tarts, Fancy Pastry, in every variety. Choice Cakes, rich Plum Pudding, Decorated Christmas Cakes, Jellies and Fancy Dishes for the table, to order. Scotch Shortbread, decorated with Tinselt and Maltos, sure to please.

**CLAY'S,**  
39 FORT STREET

## XMAS

Should be a time of good cheer for all, from the youngest to the oldest. The heart of the old can be made glad as well as the heart of the young, by some token of love on Christmas morning.  
But you say, "What can I give each one?" That we cannot answer; but we can tell you about what we know are among the most useful presents. And sure the useful ones are the best kind of presents for you to buy.  
We will first talk about

## Neckwear.

25c. buys a better tie here today than ever before. For 50c. we show splendid assortment. It is our belief that you will find ours to be the best line of ties at these prices to be found in the city; but all lovers of the beautiful in neckwear can't help but be enchanted with the ties that came in by express yesterday—beautiful, useful, good, cut on the flowing edge style, with just a dash of color at the knot, after the tie is tied. These make exceptionally good presents and cost here but 50 cents.

## Handkerchiefs.

Silk initial handkerchiefs, 25x25 inches square, with 2-inch hem-stitch border; handsomely worked initials—50 cents.

## Gloves.

Kid gloves, 00c., 75c., \$1.00 and \$1.25. Mocha tan gloves, with silk lining, \$1.50, an exceptionally good glove for a present and very handsome.

## Umbrellas.

Pure silk umbrellas, with close, rolling steel rod frame—natural polished wood handles. This umbrella, when rolled is no larger than a cane—such in a nice cover, \$2.50. Nothing sold elsewhere like it for less than a five dollar bill.

## Hats.

\$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, and \$2.50. In this department are to be found all the latest styles.

## Shirts, Collars, Cuffs,

All make the best of presents. Make a note of the size collar and shirt waists.  
But why tell more? Come in now. We'll willingly make an effort to find you just that which will make the best and most suitable present. And more, we'll willingly exchange anything after Xmas that is not satisfactory.

## Cameron,

CLOTHIER AND HATTER  
35 JOHNSON STREET.



*As the winner of the Derby wears  
the Blue Ribbon of the turf,  
so is Blue Ribbon Ceylon  
the champion of all Teas.*

## A Rich Placer Strike

Miners Get Enormously Rich Pans on Porcupine Creek.

The Work of a Survey Party in the Northern Gold Fields.

News was brought by the steamer Danube, which arrived this morning, of a rich strike in the Porcupine district. J. E. Maloney, a lawyer of Skagway, has struck dirt going as high as \$8.50 to the pan on Discovery claim, Porcupine creek, at a depth of seven feet, with bedrock nowhere in sight. Owing to the flooding of the shaft hole the miners were unable to develop the property at present. The gold is coarse and nuggety, carrying unusually high values. Mr. Maloney came down to Douglas Island shortly before the Danube sailed, to secure pumping machinery.

Details were brought of the delineation of the boundary of British Columbia and the Northwest Territories by a survey of Canadian engineers. The surveying parties have just returned to Atlin from the field where they have been engaged for many months. The latitude and longitude of Lake Bennett and nearly a dozen other points were secured by careful observation and computation, the party working eastward from Lake Bennett along the line of the 6th parallel to the further shore of Lake Teslin.

Astronomical points were established at the following places: The west shore of Lake Bennett, twelve miles from Bennett City; the east shore and opposite the first point; the west shore of Lake Teslin; the east and west shore of Lake Teslin; a point fifteen miles east of Atlin Lake, named Happy Valley; a point thirty miles east of Atlin Lake, named Gold Creek; Hall River, forty-five miles east of Atlin Lake; east shore of Teslin Lake.

G. White-Fraser, the astronomer of the expedition, was eight months on the field, and covered the country between Bennett and Teslin Lake a number of times in the course of the summer. At some of the points a great deal of time was wasted waiting to get a clear day. A question having arisen as to the correctness of the first astronomical observation made at Lake Bennett a second was taken late in the season. From November 1 to November 27 there wasn't a clear day, but for the rest of the month the weather was better and there was sunshine, so that the party at last succeeded. The astronomical party tried to reach the Dalton trail from Bennett with the intention of establishing an astronomical point on the boundary near that trail, but they were turned back by glaciers on the upper Homan river.

A St. Cyr headed a surveying party in the field at the same time, running the boundary line and marking it with a line of iron rods. He had a party of eight men, and they surveyed and established iron posts, four feet high, and an inch in diameter, at intervals of every two miles, and where there was wood cut an open way 20 feet wide on either side of the boundary. The party covered all that territory from Atlin Lake to Lake Bennett, inclusive. The work was exceedingly difficult for the reason the supplies for the entire

party had to be carried over the mountains by the men, the country being too rough for horses to travel to advantage.

From Skagway comes news that already travel has begun overland via Dawson to Cape Nome. A large number of people left the trail within the past two weeks. A number of these intend to winter in Dawson City until the river opens in April and then they will push down to Nulato. The steamers are expected to arrive at that place not later than May 10. From Nulato it will be necessary to make an overland journey in a northwesterly direction to salt water, a distance of about a hundred miles, then follow an ice and land route of 125 miles to Nome.

Advices from Juneau are to the effect that J. Homer Bird, the condemned Alaskan murderer, after being refused an appeal for a new trial by Judge Johnson, will appeal to the United States Supreme Court. In imposing the death penalty on Bird, Judge Johnson said that in all the evidence of the case there was not one single extenuating circumstance to justify Bird's crime of murdering his partners. The execution of Bird will be the first hanging in Alaska since American occupation. His wife, who went from New Orleans to be present at the trial, is returning home.

News was given of the pardon of Sam Jun Foster of the Steep Smith gang. He is dying of consumption.

## Sailor and Soldier Too

How Jack Adapts Himself to Conditions of Warfare Belonging to the Army.

Characteristics of Naval Forces When Used in Land Campaigns.

The British bluejacket is most at home afloat, but he makes a good soldier when there is occasion for the use of a naval brigade—a hearty, merry-souled, dashing soldier into the bargain. Already a strong naval brigade has been landed at Capetown from the cruiser Powerful and other ships in Simon's Bay, and is moving northward under Commander Alfred P. Atholstan. There are several thousand more men in the ships which Rear Admiral Sir R. H. Harris commands at the Cape, and reinforcements have left Portsmouth and Devonport. If there is any work to be done by the navy, it will not be done badly for want of sufficient men, nor will it be found that the officers will fall short in point of efficiency. Officers and men come from the same schools as the naval force that nearly four years ago, accompanied by a party of Royal Marines, and with Maxim guns, light artillery and rocket tubes, marched from the coast to Beersheva, the City of Dreadful Night.

It was a badly organized expedition, but it was organized with consummate skill. Unchecked by the many difficulties which the campaign presented, it marched inland with Rear Admiral, now Vice-Admiral, Sir Harry Rawson at its head. He shared his men's troubles, and when they were footsore they knew that they were not more so than their gallant leader. It is history now that the expedition succeeded in averting the massacre of a British expedition that early in 1896 was cut to pieces by the fierce chiefs. The story would bear repetition as an instance of the ease with which Jack adapts himself to conditions of warfare that belong to the other arm of the service. This facility was exemplified in the Crimea, and since in Egypt in both campaigns.

Those who have seen bluejackets rolling with sea-like gait along Portsmouth Harbour, or down any of the main streets of Chatham or Devonport, as though the pavements were the decks of the ships they love, their great baggy trousers flapping to and fro around their ankles, their necks bared to every wind, are apt to think they have not the stuff in them for land soldiers. Jack may not march with the precision and stately air of a smart infantryman, he may not have the same martial bearing or the same brisk step, but he has stamina and high spirit, and he knows not what fear is. He will rush to the cannon's mouth with the impetuosity and daring of a child that does not understand its use. He will sing lustily in the face of any danger, and he will make an ordinary man's check March and his nerves tremble, as with ague. He will plod on, doggedly mile after mile without a murmur or complaint.

Results of Long Service System. Jack is the offspring of a long service system. When the soldier of tomorrow is a mere loose peg, without any fixed purpose, the scallywag of a home, or it may be a half-starved wait on the streets, his brother, destined for the sea, has already got his life work planned. The future Jack, that of just over fifteen years of age, is comfortably housed, well fed and clothed, and has plenty of work to do, learning from day to day the A B C of his profession and completing the education he has begun ashore.

In Jack's case, which is the more important—his work or his play? Both are necessary. His salt drills, swim-

ming, boat pulling and marching—work he calls them—contribute not less than his play, his cricket, football and other sports, to the perfection of the physical machine. What is there more perfect than the system of Jack? He is broad as he is sinewy, merry as he is alert and obedient, as well-bred, and touched as he is untrained and booted, and to his massive form his head is screwed on—and well screwed on—by a neck as big around almost as the necks of two ordinary men. Some bluejackets' necks are marvellous—the result of a codding. Jack is built up from boyhood to adapt himself to any conditions, ashore or afloat, on flourish on any diet, good bad, or indifferent, and withstand any climate—even months of weary drudgery up a malaria-burdened stream of West Africa. He is trained to kill and be killed; yet the official health returns of the navy, with its countless old pensioners, support the statement that the average bluejacket is an almost sure passport to longevity—and ninety-nine out of every hundred bluejackets bear the stamp of a happy life on their faces, though they growl; but that is their privilege inalienable.

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devotion and kindness of those placed over them; they bind the personnel together, so that in the hour of trial it is sustained by a common spirit. Jack was a good man, and a good time. The Japanese, prompted by naval exercises, are about to cut a sea-to-sea canal, so that their smaller vessels can pass quickly from the Pacific to the Sea of Japan, and vice versa.

"Take time by the forelock." If your blood is out of order, begin taking Hood's Sarsaparilla at once and prevent serious illness.

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NEW WESTMINSTER ROUTE.  
Leave Victoria for New Westminster, Ladner and Lulu Island—Sunday at 11 o'clock, Wednesday and Friday at 7 o'clock. Sunday's steamer to New Westminster connects with O. P. R. train No. 2, going east Monday. For Plummer Pass—Wednesday and Friday at 7 o'clock. For Pender and Morley Islands—Friday at 7 o'clock. Leave New Westminster for Victoria—Sunday at 7 o'clock p.m.; Thursday and Saturday at 7 o'clock. For Plummer Pass—Thursday and Saturday at 7 o'clock. For Pender and Morley Islands—Thursday at 7 o'clock.

NORTHERN ROUTE.  
Steamships of this company will leave for Port Simpson and intermediate ports via Vancouver, the 1st and 15th each month, at 8 o'clock p.m.

ALASKA ROUTE.  
Steamships of this company will leave every Wednesday at 8 p.m. for Wrangell, Dyea and Skagway.

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## Provincial News.

Within the past few days there have been several names added to the voters' list for the Nelson riding. The names upon the list now number 1,501.

Alexander Brown and John Maroney were brought to Nelson on Friday by Constable Wilson. They were convicted at Creston of the theft of a Bible and several articles of clothing from Arthur O'Neil, and have a term of two weeks' imprisonment to put in.

## GRAND FORKS.

The very newest thing in the line of attractions for the long evenings in Grand Forks is a concert hall. A building is going up for the purpose and a company is being organized to run the concern. The building is to be 55 by 84 feet on the ground and is being put up at the corner of Bridge and First, fronting on Bridge.

Architect Newlands has completed his plans for the new Grand Forks hospital. It is probable the actual construction of the building will commence very soon.

## ROSSLAND.

Mrs. Alice Musgrove died on Friday evening at 10 o'clock at her family residence, Thompson avenue and Davis street, aged 84 years. Deceased leaves two daughters and a son in this city and a son in Ottawa.

Friday was pay day at the mines of this camp, and all estimates made showed that there was probably a slight increase in the total paid out over the previous month. The whole amount is still under \$150,000, but it will take a day or so before the exact figures can be given.

A farewell banquet was tendered to Mr. Edwin Durant on Friday night. Mr. Durant is going to London on a three months' vacation, after nearly two years of hard work as the business manager of the large interests of the British America Corporation. The banquet was a brilliant affair.

## GREENWOOD.

Clarence King, who escaped from the lock-up on Monday last, has been recaptured at Phoenix.

Chief engineer of construction, W. P. Tye, is expected back from Montreal daily. It is quite likely that on his return information will be forthcoming regarding the construction of the Columbia and Western past Midway up the West Fork of the Kettle river.

The new skating rink on Washington street is nearing completion. The roof only remains to be put on, and the scarcity of lumber has held that back. The building is 50x150 feet in size, with suitable waiting rooms.

On Saturday, 19th inst., Joseph H. Barnes and Miss A. Carter were married by the Rev. B. H. Badger, B.A., pastor of the Methodist church. On Monday evening, at the parsonage, the reverend gentleman officiated at a similar ceremony, uniting in marriage John Clarence Gould, of this city, and Miss Della La Rue, of Cheboygan, Mich.

Matters at the Construction hospital are quiet these days. There are only two patients in the building, both convalescing from typhoid. It is thought that there will be no longer any necessity for continuing the hospital after the close of the year. At the Greenwood hospital there are fifteen patients. Drs. Jackson and Oppenheimer report every one progressing toward recovery.

Nineteen hockey enthusiasts met last week and reorganized the Greenwood Hockey Club. The principal business of the evening was the election of officers for the ensuing season. Robert Wood was elected president, and John W. Law honorary vice-presidents. The active officers elected were A. W. Strickland, president; H. A. King, vice-president; J. M. C. Holmes, secretary-treasurer, and an executive committee composed of W. M. Irving, C. A. St. Atwood, T. E. McDowell, E. G. Mundy and W. L. Fry.

At the meeting of the council last week the by-law granting \$3,000 to the B. C. Copper Co., in connection with the erection of a smelter, had its third reading, and the date of polling was fixed for the 25th of December.

Members of the Carpenter Union and other citizens have petitioned for the establishment of a free library.

## Praise From Printers.

Plenty of printers suffering from backache, lame backs, rheumatic pains, urinary troubles, and kidney troubles of one kind and another. It isn't to be wondered at.

Standing over a case of Doan's Kidney Pills, setting type, finding the irritating properties of ink, benzine, etc., is more than kidneys can stand. They cry out for help, and many printers are responding to that request for assistance by taking DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS.

Here is a statement by Mr. Wm. Ryan, 60 Cornwallis street, Halifax, N. S.

"I act in the capacity of a pressman, and the position I occupy in the printing office necessitates frequent stooping. This caused me intense suffering when attempting to straighten myself, and I was beginning to think it was rheumatism, but when I was attacked by urinary difficulties it proved to me that my kidneys were affected. Hearing of the many cures wrought by Doan's Kidney Pills, I decided to try them, and am pleased to say that they are a rapid and effective cure. The pains have been removed from my back, all my other urinary difficulties have vanished, and I can speak of these pills as a genuine remedy for the cure of kidney trouble in any form."

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## Mining News

## The Season's Work in Nicola.

Since last fall considerable progress has been made in mining in this district. What has helped in a large way towards this has been the prospecting and work done by outsiders who originally went to the Similkameen, but finding so many strikes and the country well supplied with stakes drifted to this part. Some went away after a short visit, dissatisfied, but by far the most were enabled to acquire some good looking prospects.

Over a company extending from Aspen Grove (20 miles south of Nicola Lake) to Marmette Lake and Quilchena to a few miles below Lower Nicola several indications of copper are to be found more or less promising, and up to the present no other distinct ore has been found such as galena, etc. It is due to this fact that no mineral has been shipped from this part, for few copper ores can stand the cost of hauling some 40, 50 or 60 miles to a railroad and then the expense of freight and treatment added. But this adverse factor will be removed by the extension through the country of the Columbia & Western railroad, which there is very good reason to believe will be an actual fact before long. Inducements will then be offered to outside capitalists to invest.

In the vicinity of Aspen Grove, a country of rolling hills and bunch grass, a discovery was made this spring by a stranger. With very little work massive gray copper, carrying high values in silver, was exposed, the ore itself being a bluish gray color, and at least this claim, the Big Louise, was immediately followed by a large number of other locations, amongst which are some very promising showings consisting of native and artificial copper. There is now every indication of a busy camp starting this next spring.

Another new discovery was made this spring on Ten Mile creek, about four miles south of Marmette Lake, consisting of a large dyke of granite rock in which are veins of native copper and cuprite. Two claims were staked, the King Solomon and Midnight, which some few weeks later were bonded to Dr. Deeks, for eastern parties. The whole of the money was paid and the deal completed in some three weeks; nearly a record-breaker for time. Work was immediately commenced, but was discontinued after some \$800 had been expended, in fact before anything of a definite nature as to extent and value was determined. Since the work was discontinued these claims may be said to have been considerably improved by the discovery of prospects adjoining them, proving the lead continuous and of extent.

On the Aberdeen a good healthy show-up has been exposed of heavy copper carbonate with iron. The show-up of the surface was not encouraging, simply a black basaltic rock intruding through the granite formation, with a few iron stains, but some two feet below copper stains appeared, whilst now, eight feet below, nearly solid carbonates have been shown up. The lead is probably over 20 feet wide and has the appearance of a true fissure vein. On the Mountain view and Plymouth Queen veins of solid bronze and gray copper have been exposed. These seem to be parallel fissures with the Aberdeen. A large number of other claims in this neighborhood have been located.

Quilchena received its share of attention this year, quite a large number of claims being staked from the Nicola road to some miles up Quilchena creek, and one is inclined to believe a few will yet be heard of in the future. They are copper in quartz and carrying higher values in gold than is found elsewhere in the district; being so convenient situated they should offer every inducement for work.

Northwest of the Puzosk mineral claim, some five miles north of Nicola Lake, several locations were made this spring on veins of quartz carrying copper, silver, and gold. The veins crop up on the surface for a considerable distance. Work has already been commenced on several. A vein 31 feet in width of well mineralized quartz, average rock assaying 9 per cent. copper, with values in gold and silver, was opened up on the Eagle No. 2. With more development of this and other locations in the vicinity, a large amount of good mining material will be exposed, sufficient to warrant the erection of a concentrating plant, water power being very conveniently placed.—Inland Sentinel.

## East Kootenay.

Work will be continued all winter on several well known Perry creek properties. There is an enormous amount of ore on the Paradise group on Horse Thief creek.

Another vein of high grade ore has been uncovered on the Dehline, one of the Windermere properties. There is considerable work being done on the Upper St. Mary's this winter, and on three properties it will be continued.

Work on the John L. claim on Tracy creek will be resumed. It is stated that the sum of \$10,000 is now in the treasury available for development.

The shaft on the Montana claim on Tracy creek is now down 84 feet, and a crosscut from the bottom of the shaft has been run for 20 feet. The foot-wall was encountered after running through a four-foot vein.

There are seven or eight men at work now on the Pay Roll and development

of the big ledge is progressing steadily. The landing in the tunnel at the top of the mine is being enlarged to give the necessary room for handling the ore, which is already becoming more like the rich gold rock in the small ledges.

The deal on the Lake Shore property is being completed. The following parcels are being sold: 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100. A total of \$82,000, \$7,000 having been paid at the time the deal was made.

Work at the Golden Fire is progressing rapidly. So far the work has been confined mostly to the surface, but now everything is in readiness to run the 15-foot tunnel to tap the ledge. The work will be continued all winter.

The property now being worked by the Kootenay & Argona Company is already showing a large chute of ore which is rich enough to ship if the North Star railway was carrying freight. The ledge is now stripped for 80 feet, showing ore for the whole distance, the width of the ore chute being from 12 inches to three feet. This will carry an average of about \$30 per ton, and can be mined and placed on board cars at Marysville siding at \$5 per ton.

On the Minnie, Victoria and Olympia claims on Phillips creek, in Tobacco country, there is an immense showing of copper ore. A force of men will be put on this winter to ascertain the value of the properties. Considerable work has been done on the Morning claim on the same creek.

At the Empire mine on Sand creek work is being steadily pushed with satisfactory results. Recent assays made of ore from the mine gave the following results: 28.84 per cent. copper and 55.5 per cent. silver; a total value of \$107.84 per ton.

The work on the Dupont is being steadily pushed at the rate of two feet per day. The tunnel is now in about 20 feet, and the ledge is widening out and the values are increasing. Two assays were made of ore from the face of the tunnel last week, one of which gave a value of \$43.80, the other \$27; average of \$35.45 per ton in gold.

The development work on the Crickmore Stone is progressing rapidly. A white is how being sunk at the end of the long tunnel, which is now in 239 feet. Good ore is being taken out in sinking. This winter will be extended 100 feet. A new tunnel will be run 150 feet below tunnel No. 1 to a point directly under the mine, which will give a vertical depth of 375 feet. A large amount of money has been expended in the development of the property since being taken over by the company less than six months ago, and at least a few counts there had been 540 feet of work done in tunnel, shaft, crosscuts, winze and open cuts.

In the Shocan, A 400-foot crosscut is being driven on the California. The Ajax Fraction has a car load of ore ready for shipment. Jackson mine at Whitewater shipped 60 tons of ore this week.

A 150 foot tunnel is being run on the Standard, near Three Forks. In the No. 8 tunnel of the Noble Fire an important strike is reported.

Thirty-five men are working on contracts and leases at the Queen Bess. Eight men are working on contracts at the Idaho and five others on outside work.

The Payne is said to have a lot of ore ready, and will do some shipping before long.

The Star has 33 men on contract work underground. In full force it can employ 85 to 100 men underground.

The Madison has 30 men working on the property. Work will soon be resumed on the Helena Farm. It is the only developed, sinking proposition in the Shocan, and has a complete plant installed. One shaft is in over 200 feet with much underground working. A concentrator will shortly be erected. The output is mostly steel and cube, with a small percentage of zinc. Water power on Gold creek is available to run all the machinery that may be used on the property.

At the Ajax a contract was let to sink 50 feet on the ore body on No. 5 level. The shaft is now down 20 feet, and the ore has increased in this distance from 40 to 50 inches in depth. As no ore of the same nature has previously been found in this district, it creates considerable interest among mining men.

The following is a copy of an analysis by a prominent assayer and analytical chemist: Gold, 5.34 ounces; silver, 432.710 per cent.; copper, 23 per cent.; lead, 284 per cent., with values in zinc and cobalt, base, arsenical, iron and silica.

Arrangements have been completed to take over the Gaiumet and Hecla group. The price is \$100,000, with a cash payment down. The property is situated on the east bank of the Nicola river, between Lemmon and Dayton creeks, about one mile from the Evening Star. The ledge is quartz, carrying high values in gold and silver. It is a strong vein, being from 30 to 40 feet wide, but the ore is principally concentrating. No diphasia will likely be made until a plant is erected for treating the ore on the ground. The enclosing country is granite, with quartzite and a belt of lime spar. The work already done consists of a crosscut tunnel of 220 feet, cutting the ledge at a depth of 170 feet, and a 45-

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**SCHOOL TRUSTEES.**

A Generous Donation by Victoria's Senior Member—The Holidays.

The members of the Board of School Trustees met last evening in their room at the City Hall, all the trustees being in attendance and Superintendent Eaton in his place.

The first business was the consideration of an offer from Mr. H. Dallas Helmcken, Q.C., M.P.P., offering to present "The Illustrated History of Great Britain" for competition among the pupils of the city schools for reading.

The suggested conditions were "Competition to be open to all the first divisions of the city schools and to be held next midsummer; each school competing to send ten representatives, and the result to be judged on the best average, not on the best individual reading; the prize becoming the property of the school, and being retained as work of reference."

The offer was gratefully accepted and the conditions agreed to; Mr. Helmcken to be thanked for his generous donation. The closing exercises in the schools were next discussed; it being decided that they shall take place on Friday next, the schools assembling at the usual time of 9:30 and being dismissed at noon.

The trustees were allotted as follows for visiting on that occasion: North Ward, Mr. McCandless; Hillsdale School, Mrs. Gordon Grant; Victoria West, Dr. Lewis Hall; High School, Mr. A. L. Belyea; Spring Ridge, Mr. Wm. Marchant; Boys' Central, Superintendent Eaton; Kingston street and South Park, Mr. McKicking; Girls' Central, Mrs. W. Grant.

In the North Ward school on Friday afternoon a programme of general entertainment will be given commencing at 1:30, and in the High School at 2 o'clock His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor will present the Governor-General's medals.

Other business transacted was the reappointment of Messrs Tindley and Anderson, pupil teachers for the ensuing term at salaries of \$10 a month. The school management committee was instructed to prepare and arrange for the publication of the annual report, and the city superintendent was asked to report to the board on the relative advantages of the various systems of penmanship with especial reference to the vertical. Some accounts were passed for payment and the board adjourned.

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**FOR SALE.**

Fruit lands at Spence's Bridge, forming part of the John Murray estate. Tenders will be received by the undersigned for the purchase of the above lands, which are offered for sale in 2 separate parcels.

1. 62 acres (except building on west corner and site thereof) planted with apple, peach, cherry and plum trees and grape vines. On these lands there is a large store, boarding house, stable, barn, tool house, meat house, hot house, seven room cottage, 2 three room cottages, 1 one room cottage, and several other buildings.

2. 14 acres, 39 of which are under cultivation and part planted with fruit trees. On this land there is a two room cottage, water ditch, flume, a good water race, goes with the land.

Further particulars will be given on application.

Dated at Victoria, 14th December, 1899.  
FELT & GREGORY.

**ATLIN MINES.**

Reliable information can be had by applying to RANT & JONES, Notaries, Mining Brokers and General Agents, ATLIN, B.C.

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Is successfully used monthly by over 100,000 Ladies. Safe, efficient. Ladies ask your druggist for Cook's Cotton Root Compound. Take no other, as all Mixtures, pills and injections are dangerous. Price, No. 1, 4 per box; No. 2, 10 degrees stronger, 65 per box. No. 1 or 2, mailed on receipt of price and 2 recent stamps. The Cook Company Windsor, Ont. No. 1 and 2 sold and recommended by all responsible Druggists in Canada.

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## NOTICE. Assessment Act.

Notice is hereby given that the Court of Revision and Appeal will sit as follows:

For the Electoral District of Victoria City—At Small Debits Court, Law Courts, City of Victoria, on Friday, the 25th, and Saturday, 26th, days of December, 1899, at 11:30 o'clock a.m.

For the Electoral District of South Victoria—At the Royal Oak, on Saturday, the 23rd day of December, 1899, at 11:30 o'clock a.m., and at John Camp's, South Saanich, on Saturday, the 13th day of January, 1900, at 12 o'clock noon.

For that portion of North Victoria Electoral District known as North Saanich—On Friday, the 12th day of January, 1900, at the Sidney Hotel, Sidney, at 12 o'clock noon.

For the Electoral District of Esquimalt—On Friday, the 22nd day of December, 1899, at Henry Price's, Parson's Bridge, at 11 o'clock a.m.

For that portion of the Electoral Districts of Comox and Cassiar known as the Court, Rupert, Sayward, and Quatsino Land Districts—At Small Debits Court, Law Courts, City of Victoria, on Tuesday, the 9th day of January, 1900, at 12 o'clock noon.

For that portion of the Cowichan-Alberni Electoral District known as Barclay and Clayson, and Renfrew Land Districts—At Small Debits Court, Law Courts, City of Victoria, on Friday, the 5th day of January, 1900, at 12 o'clock noon.

Dated at Victoria, this 21st day of November, 1899.

S. PERRY MILLS,  
Judge of the Court of Revision and Appeal.

## TENDERS. Steamer Reindeer.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned until 12 o'clock noon, on Saturday, 26th, 1899, for the purchase of the steam-whirl steamer "Reindeer," as she now lies in her quarters above Five Fingers, Yukon river.

Description: Built and registered at Victoria, 1898; length, 123.3 ft.; breadth, 22 ft.; 44 ft. draught; 1000 horse-power; 12 ft. x 12 ft. x 2 ft. stroke, engines. The highest or any tender not necessarily taken.

TERMS—Cash.

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24, 25 and 26 Board of Trade Building, Esplanade Square, Victoria, Solicitor for Vendor.

## APPLICATIONS

Applications for the position of Chief of Police for Victoria, B.C., will be received by the Police Commissioners, City Hall, till Tuesday, December 26th, 1899.

Applicants to state age, height and experience, and to enclose photograph and testimonials with their application.

Salary one hundred and twenty-five dollars per month.

By order of the Police Commissioners, Victoria, B.C., December 1st, 1899.

## NOTICE.

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria having determined that it is desirable under the provisions of the "Local Improvement By-Law, 1892," and amendments thereto, to lay down a wooden block pavement with stone curbs and concrete foundation on

1st. Yates street, between the easterly limit of Broad street and the westerly limit of Douglas street.

2nd. Broad street, between the southerly limit of Yates street and the northerly limit of Port street.

And the City Engineer and City Assessor having reported to the Council upon the said works of improvement, respectively giving a statement showing the amount chargeable against the various portions of area with the provisions of Section 4 of the said By-Law, and said reports having been adopted by the Council, notice is hereby given that said reports are open for inspection at the office of the City Assessor, City Hall, 1st Avenue street.

WILLIAM J. DOWLER,  
City Clerk's Office,  
Victoria, B.C., November 28th, 1899.

**NOTICE.**

Notice is hereby given that application will be made by the Corporation of the City of Victoria to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act authorizing and enabling the said Corporation to enter into and execute a lease of lands to any person and under such terms and conditions as may be in a position and willing to carry out the terms thereof. First, all that tract or parcel of land parcel covered by water situated within the limits of the Corporation, called, or commonly known as the James Bay Flats, up to the northerly line of Belleville street; and secondly, all the land and buildings situate, lying and being on the south side of Humboldt street and extending from the said James Bay bridge to, but not including, the Reformed Hospital, and known as the "City Lots 171, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 207, 208, and 209 in Block 25, and Lot 1027, Block 111, of Christ Church and more particularly shown on the official map of the said city, for any period not exceeding fifty years from the date of such lease, and upon the terms and conditions and for the considerations mentioned and set forth in a certain by-law of the said Corporation, passed on the 27th day of August, 1899, and known as the "James Bay Bridge and Flats Reclamation By-Law, 1899," being a by-law intended to provide for the erection of a steel, or steel and stone, structure, free of cost to the Corporation, in place of the present James Bay bridge, and for the reclamation of the James Bay Flats, and for the purpose mentioned in the said by-law, and to authorize and empower the Corporation to appropriate, purchase, acquire, or lease, and hold, and sell, and dispose of, or surrender, or demise all or any of the said lands or buildings; and for all usual, necessary or incidental rights, powers, or privileges as may be necessary or incidental to the attainment of the objects contemplated by the said by-law or any of them.

Dated the 22nd day of November, 1899.

MASON & BRADBURN,  
Solicitors for the Applicants.

**NOTICE.**

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licenses for a license for their next sitting as a Licensing Court for a transfer to John Barrett of my license for the sale of wine and spirits by retail upon the premises situate on the northeast corner of Port and Douglas streets, Victoria City, known as the Royal Saloon.

Dated this 16th day of November, A.D., 1899.

ALFRED KENDALL,  
By his attorney in fact,  
C. A. HOLLAND.

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